

Threat to 25,000 **British workers**

Martin Walker In Washington

EROSPACE giants Boeing and McDonnell almost all US military Douglas anhelicopters. nounced a \$46.6 billion (£28

billion) merger yesterday, spawning a behemoth which will dominate global military and civilian aircraft production, and intensify post-cold var industrial restructuring.

The new giant will dwarf Europe's Airbus, with nearly two-thirds of the world's com-mercial airline market, well over half of United States mil-itary aircraft production, and

"The combination of these two companies is going to operate in the global marketplace as the Boeing company and will be the world's lead ing aerospace company," Phil Condit, Boeing's chief executive, said yesterday.

\$100 billion in orders. The merger will increase the pressure onEurope's Airbus, and may undermine its plan to control 50 per cent of the world commercial avia-tion market by the year 2000. The four-nation consortium will be forced to cut costs and

25,000 people in Britain. The size of the new US group conveys its own advantage in the high-cost business

Its combined sales of almost \$50 billion would catapult the new jumbo into the top 10 US corporations, employing 200,000 people and sharing a joint hacklog of almost S100 billion in orders. Corporations, employing 200,000 people and sharing a joint hacklog of almost S100 billion in orders. Corporations, employing such as the Saudi monarchy to seal Boeing sales. Catagent of "strategic collabora-

Last week, the announce-ment of "strategic collabora-tion" under which McDonnell Douglas agreed to become sub-contractors on the next model of the Boeing 747, con-tained a "no-compete" clause designed to bar Airbus Industrie from access to McDonnell Douglas technol-ogy and finance as a risk-sharing partner in the pro-posed Airbus A3XX jumbo jet. The merger could also in-volve problems for British

Aerospace. The firm has built a close relationship with McDonnell Douglas, which builds the US version of the of developing new airliners McDonnell Douglas, which and the giant will now, in effect, become the sole US Harrier jump jet. The two

producing the failed McDon-nell Douglas design for the Joint Strike Fighter.

The merger announcemen liability, such a finding could have a sharp impact on

Boeing's share price. Mr Condit told reporters that the deal would be financed through an exchange of stocks, but Boeing appears to be the dominant partner. Mr Condit becomes chairman and chief

companies also collaborate on executive officer, while Mc-the Goshawk trainer, and Donnell Douglas's Harry Ston-BAe was closely involved in ecipher becomes president and producing the failed McDon-chief operating officer.

The merger could face opposition from the US Fed-eral Trade Commission, which has already voiced alarm about threats to competition in military procure-mentafter Boeing bought Rockwell's space and defence business. Mr Condit cond defence firmed that the two compa-nies had not yet consulted government officials.

Boeing is best known for its family of commercial jet lin-ers, from the 737 and 787 workhorses to the 747 jumbo. It also makes the F-22 Stealth fighters, and last month nosed out McDonnell Douglas to compete directly with decade, the world's commer-ial aircraft market is set to Lockheed-Martin for the big-

World's largest mergers, £bn

marines and the Royal Navy. McDonnell Douglas once dominated commercial avia-tion with its twin-engined DC-3, and its subsequent DC-8 and DC-9 jets. But it is now best-known for manufactur-25 20 ing military planes, from the F-4 Phantom to the Apache helicopter and the new C-17 Globemaster transport. 10 The new group has one seri-ous rival left for the Penta-5 89 95 95 Year of merger

gon's procurement budget, the Lockheed-Martin group. 68 But while the Pentagon's spending power looks un-likely to grow over the next

The International Air Transport Association forecasts annual growth of 7 per cent for the next five years.

Major could win month respite

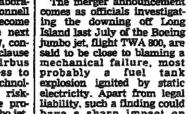
Michael White Political Editor

OHN Major will tonight buy a four-week respite for his battered government when he offers the motley coalition of disaffected MPs who can bring him down a Christ-

Blair hit back at ministerial claims that he will be a "soft touch" for Europe if he be-comes prime minister, and leftwing pro-BU Tories were forced to have down speculation that up to a dozen of them might defect to the Lib Dems if their own party swings sceptical over Europe in defeat.

ers in an attempt to upstage

accelerate its transformation into a single company, posing a threat to 300 companies and





Blair to signal tough line on sloppy schools

John Carvel ation Editor ONY Blair will today try

want to divide children into

able to bring in good heads on temporary attachment from successful schools to provide fresh leadership, dismiss in-competent teachers and expel disruptive pupils.

to bury 30 years of argu-Mr Blair has seen how the Ridings school, in Halifax, has been saved from disintement about comprehen sive schooling with a speech calling for a new political congration by the arrival of a tal-ented acting head. He wants ensus on education and placing Labour's plans for im-proving standards and this approach adopted at discipline at the heart of his other schools before they programme for government. He will redefine the comstart on a spiral of decline.

no return to the 11-plus exam,

but this did not imply support for mixed ability teaching for

every subject. "The time is right to leave

behind the educational

battles of the past 30 years and forge a new educational

consensus which concen-

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to cheer them up. But MPs are predicting that Mr Major: "Tve made it abso-te crunch may come if Mr lutely clear I will resolutely the crunch may come if Mr Major fails to win a crucial

vote to entrench a Conserva-tive majority on the Finance Bill committee which vets the Budget after the Commons returns on January 13.

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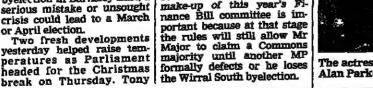
If Mr Major can disarm hostile Conservative Euro-scep-tics today with a toughlywill be isolated." worded statement from the Dublin summit, then impress the Ulster Unionists with hopes that the worldwide ban on their beer exports will soon be lifted, he will be safe for another month, provided

he also manaces to sidestep a Labour ambush on EU fishing vote. Along with some coastal "A win tonight would be Tory MPs, Unionists are un-good for our morale, but happy about treatment of they'll ignore it anyway. If we their fishermen and will can stop them getting a ma-jority on the Finance Bill await today's Commons statement from the fisheries minister Tony Baldry. Before that Mr Major will committee that interferes

with their ability to govern. It report from the summit and Douglas Hogg will announce details of a resumed call of could be the trigger for a No Confidence motion," said one With Government and com-100,000 cattle at risk from

bined opposition evenly bal-anced since Thursday's byelection in Barnsley East, a serious mistake or unsought crisis could lead to a March nance Bill committee is im-nance Bill committee is important because at that stage the rules will still allow Mr or April election. Two fresh developments the rules will still allow mar yesterday helped raise tem-peratures as Parliament majority until another MP formally defects or he loses

stand up for British interests, but British interests are that we are strong, leading players in Europe, not in a position of perpetual marginalisation. 'If it is in Britain's interest to be isolated through the use of the national veto, then we Since both Unionists and Euro-sceptics will not decide how to vote tonight until they hear the details, Mr Major could go down to an embarrassing pre-Christmas defeat over fish, as he did last December, if all rival parties



different schools according to their sbility at the age of 11, but does want their differing abilities recognised within each school so that all pupils are appropriately stretched. In a move to tackle sloppy performance, Mr Blair will call for new powers for local au-thorities to sack headteachers before their schools reach the point where the inspectorate over structure," he will say at finds they are failing their pupils. He wants councils to be | turn to page 2, column 5 ****

The actress and singer Madonna at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles for the world premiere of British director Alan Parker's film Évita, in which she plays the title role Review, page 2 PHOTOGRAPH: FRED PROUSEF



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2 NEWS The Guardian Monday December 16 1996 Skin-deep beauty treatment makes a point

A feast of bizarre colour designs, stainless steel and vast expanses of naked skin greeted visitors to the tattoo and body piercing convention at Sheffield

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Martin Wainwright

HE hall was bristling with them - a thousand and one little needles

and a thousand or more gaily coloured witnesse to Britain's gradual loss of convention and the grey suit. Stiff upper lip? Stiff lower

labret in the case of Carly Moskwa, manning the Pegasus body-piercing stall at the Sheffield tattoo and body piercing convention, while her colleague Andy Brown makes a neat incision behind a curtain

"I think it's a nipple," she says, as the tiniest sigh comes from the unseen customer. Carly's labret, a shiny metal spike sticking straight from her chin, bobs up and down. gleaming, with every word. In other company, Carly's shrapnel style of jewellery ould stand out, but not here.

Joanne Woffinden, aged 21 caught my eye instead, and a great many other people's, as she lolled gracefully in her pants by a body-painting stall, her only other accessory a plastic cup of lager. "A friend of mine was sup-

posed to be doing this but she bottled out," she said as a rich coat of russet and madder was painted on to her skin. "It's, well, different. I've not tried it before but I've seen some bril-liant body-paint at the Sheffield Roxy club. A girl in a lovely dress, and then you look and, uh-oh, it's just nainted on her."

Carefully adding a feathery whorl of white and yellow to the ripple of Joanne's spine, painter Tory Brinkman, also 21. warns that nose-to-toe camouflage takes a long time.

"Three hours would be the minimum," she says. But there's enough demand to make Tory's life as a student financially more comfortable.

Bodypaint customers come from the ranks of colourlovers not yet ready for Pat Ryalles, a Sheffield tattooist whose dress sense manages to distract loaling bystanders even from Joanne. Peering through orange, almond-shaped spectacles above a skulls-and-roses tie and a safari suit in artificial tiger-skin, he steers punters into his temporary tattooing stall.



A tattooist practising his art on the back on a customer at the Sheffield convention at the weekend PHOTOGRAPH; TALSMIT

"She's got such big thighs," he says thoughtfully, as Jayne Limer patiently submits to the tiny needles, indelibly printing a pattern of drago and catwomen gambolling be-tween knee and groin. 'Eight hours, this design will prot

bly take. In a couple of sessions. But people will often commission back-tattoos which take over 20. They get to know you, to steer clear of the scratchers, The scratchers are the

ing, easier to avoid now that body art has made a spectacu-lar emergence from the back streets. The Don Valley has its share of the bullet-necked, potbellied types most people still associate with tattoo, but

derson, Geena Davis, Helen Mirren, even the MP Teresa Gorman.

"Actually it's cosmetic tat-too — eyebrows — in her case," says the Sheffield party's organiser Steuart Kingsley-Innes, prompting

thoughts about the lottery of politics. A Gorman can have so little and a Denis Healey so much. "But the interest women are showing in tattoo is one of the big change

Come over here and meet Annie of Skin Deep." A swish of magenta hair, and Annie of Skin Deep emerges: meet the Editor of the Year for the tattoo trade The citation for her Cheshire-based magazine Skin Deep praised, "not just the best in Burope but in the world; bringing the best information photos, journalism and qual-ity to a tattoo magazine." She's seen and covered "a revolution in the country's at-

titude to tattooing, especially over the past 10 years, after things started to change in America. They come up with some wonderful tribal and Celtic patterns which have really caught on." The long reign of skin skulls and drag ons was over; a delicate wrist could have a slender, wispy motif; and the number of female tattoolsts began to grow. "We've eight here this



Slinking past three Father Christmases (all loitering near Joanne Woffinden), Mad-

am Mimm has green hair and "a rather big tattoo which i won't show here."

Also manned by Merlin and Mother Christmas (a homely West Country couple called Jim and Marie Kinun), Mad-am's stall has demons, gob ling, Librets, skeleton-hands to buckle belts and a line in piglets in resin snowstorm domes which you shake for a festive,

wintery scene. "Ah, those are for the nice people," says Marie, brushing a little dust off a piglet dome with her finger. They do sell, but it's very quict here today. You ought to come to Dun-stable in September. That's

the Mecca of British tation." The Bedfordshire party and convention, the first (started eight years ago) and still the best, will also tickle up trade for the manufacturing side of tattoo. Casting, forging and engineering — sometimes talked about as a vanished side of British life - are busy in the East Midlands, turning out stainless steel diamond liners (25 retail) and Brass Dshaped shaders (£85) for Danny's Tattoo Supplies of

Nottingham. "We design them all our-selves," says Danny, spying for customers behind a chemist's-shop range of bottled coloured inks, "then send them out to engineering com

panies to turn or machine."

MPs condemn interview with head's killer

Alison Daniela

NEWSPAPER confession of regret by the teenager convicted of murdering headteacher Philip Lawrence has been condemned as outrageous and offensive by MPs. Last night the Sunday

Times came in for heavy criti-cism after it published a front-page interview with Learco Chindamo given from Glenthorne young offenders' centre in Birmingham. Sir Ivan Lawrence, chair-

man of the Home Affairs

was very brave. He said he had often thought of writing to his widow. Frances, but said he was concerned that any letter he sent to her would be misinterpreted and cause her further grief.

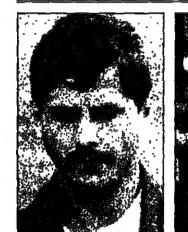
"It is hard, after being convicted of his murder, for me to write. In a way, it might make them sad to hear from me.'

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After Chindamo, son of an Italian gangster, was ordered by an Old Balley judge to be detained indefinitely, Mrs Lawrence spoke of her feeling of "overwhelming sympathy for the teenager who had de-stroyed his own future as well



A country scandalised by the activities of a murderous paedophile ring



we're also talking Pamela An-

is bracing itself for more grim discoveries, reports **Julie Wolf** in Brussels

Flashback to August, when police uncovered the bodies of two girls in the garden of a house owned by Marc Dutroux (top left) PHOTOGRAPH CLIVER HOLLET

Belgian police search for more bodies of children

the country, as police search for more bodies of children at At the weekend, police found two entrances to the a disused coal mine near the southern city of Charleroi. mine shaft. They are working

The mine shaft at Jumet is believed to contain evidence linked to a paedophile ring allegedly run by Marc Dutroux, a convicted child rapist who has been in detention since August. Since the exposure of the

ring four months ago, four girls have been found dead, and two in captivity. Police are still looking for seven children

on the basis of new informa-tion received since another part of the disused mine was examined in October. At that time, investigators were following up information from Mr Dutroux and his second wife, Michelle Martin, but failed to discover any-

thing suspicious. Marcel Guissard, a gendarwas likely to last all week. A cache of arms found at the merie major, said at the scene this weekend: "We have scene was believed to be unre-lated to the inquiry.

hildren. Mr Dutroux lived in a cara- ing to excavate them so that scandalised Belgium and pro- Two days later, Mr Dutroux

ELGIANS are braced van near the mine during the early 1980s and had expressed which conforms with the the country's judicial and po-this week in the child interest in buying land in the area Belgian radio reported. "Based on information we have."

from some of the arrested people, and certain inquiries Brussels in October to de-mand justice for the families we have been able to make, of the missing children. we are convinced that here at Jumet ... not far from the This prompted Belgium's

prime minister, Jean-Luc Dehaene, to announce legal reforms aimed at ending tunnel we searched [in October], there is another underpolitical appointments to the judiciary and bolstering the ground place where we may find traces of children or somewhere they were held.' rights of victims of crime. Investigators said the painstaking search at Jumet

done with Lloyd-Webber's music, especially when it

Mr Dutroux and several alleged accomplices were arrested in August after two young girls were rescued alive from a secret dungeon in a house he owned. They

establishment has been Dutroux received protection from police officials who allowed his activities to go undetected even after he had been released early from a jail sentence for rape. There have also been in the garden of one of his houses. They had starved to death. Police also found the body of an alleged accomplice of Mr Dutroux, Bernard Weinstein. rumours, so far unproven, of high-level links to the paedo-

Three weeks later, the chief suspect led investigators to Weinstein's former house in Although Belgium's parlia-ment has cleared the deputy Jumet, where they uncarthed the bodies of An Marchal and Eefje Lambrecks, who had disappeared a year earlier. prime minister. Elio Di Rupo

over accusations that he had sex with boys, another politi-cian accused of paedophilia, Jean-Pierre Grafe, resigned as Four months after the affair came to light, homes and cars in the country still carry post-ers of Melissa and Julie. The Belgian public's dis-regional government. a minister in the francophone

tended to raise the issue of as the lives of her family. in response. Chindamo said if he had been in the same convicted criminals giving interviews with the Press Comsituation he did not know if plaints Commission. he would have been so

He said it was not right that a "murderous thug" should be given a public platform, and suggested that such beforgiving. "It is hard for me to say. I haviour should be a disciplinary matter.

feel very sorry for all the fam-ily, especially for the son, the little boy. I think of him when I am praying. I pray for the The Lawrence family's Tory MP Harry Greenway family every night and ask

said it was outrageous that Chindamo should be given publicity. "This just adds to the pressure on the Lawrence family and they have quite "Tregret a lot of it. At the time I thought what I was doing was right. I was going to help a friend."

enough." Speaking by telephone to According to the report Chindamo's mother Paquita expressed pride in her son's the newspaper, the 16-year-old refused to acknowledge public statement of regret. But Norman Brennan, direc-tor of the Victims of Crime that he murdered Mr Lawrence, who was 48, as he went to intervene in a gang attack on a 13-year-old pupil outside Trust, said no one wanted to know what he had to say. St George's School in Maida Vale, north-west London, a "How can we allow someone like him to give an interview? He should be quiet and let Mrs Lawrence and her family get on with their lives. The way things are going prison-

year ago. In the report, which ran under a headline claiming the killer prays for his victim's family every night, Chindamo family every night, Chindamo ers will soon be hosting chat said he thought Mr Lawrence shows from their cells."



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Madonna's Eva leaves you tangoed action pall, its visual texture keeps you hooked. But there's not much to be

Première

Jonathan Romney

VITA is remarkable film-making, all right — and such a lot of it. Its direc-tor, Alan Parker, has never been afraid to push out the boat, and his treatment of the hit musical sends out whole fleets of them, with attendant cannons and bombast, for two and a quarter hours. You have to give him his due: if Evita is finally a little gruelling, it's largely because you're sub-jected to a non-stop barrage of Andrew Lloyd-Webber's music, most of which sounds even more imaginatively threadbare than you remembered.

But it's heartening that, of all the names in line to direct it, Parker got the job. If it had been Oliver Stone - co-credited with Parker as scriptwriter — the result would have been either hyper-ventilating pop-video or reverential monolith-making. Parker finds a just medium,

laying on more than a touch of the David Leans — choral grandeur and a cast of thousands — but lacing it with his own cinematic sense of cheek. He manages to bring out both the grandeur and the misery. not to mention the sheer tabloid sleaze, in the tale of Eva Duarte, the go-getter who clawed her way to popular sainthood. It was a smart stroke casting Madonna. whose own status as a Woman of Scandal gives a piquant edge. She's not quite as mag-netic as you might have expected, although her singing has acquired a gravitas we haven't heard before. But there is a cool, iconic distance that perfectly fits the role of the self-made woman who, like Madonna herself, disappears into her own billboard image. In fact, the real star is Antonio Banderas, as the narrator

amorous tangos. who sings us through Eva's rise and fall, and who, with many a raised eyebrow to camera, points up the story's iro-nies. As for the men in Evita's life, Jonathan Pryce brings weight, humanity and a mesmerising false nose to the dic-tator Juan Perón, and Jimmy Nail is agreeably louche as the first of many men to engage



star of the film

Parker's single most inspired move is to use the French cinematographer Darius Khondji --- whose dar frosted sepia look works on several fronts — at different moments. This enhances the and points up the everyday shoddiness behind the myth. Even when the songs and



Antonio Banderas: Real with Eva in her career-making

film's grand architectural feel

reveals its pedestrian pop roots. That said, Madoona and of state", on a par with the Treasury, Foreign Office and Home Office. some subtle orchestrations make Another Suitcase Another Hall sound fetching, and by the time you've heard Don't Cry For Me Argentina in its fith incarnation, you're just about softened up for it. Hard-core Webberites will slaver over every last note. For the rest of us, the film more or less makes its point in the first 90 minutes. Once Eva has at last stepped on to the presidential balcony you find yourself wondering when Tim Rice's rise and fall libretto is going to unearth any real ironies. Parker doesn't quite get over the problem that the musical ends up talking us into rapt admiration for a selfseeking rightwing demagogue.

Ultimately it tells us no more than that "she had her moments, she had some style", Still, with more than its mileage of striking moments, Evita is unlikely to leave you unim-

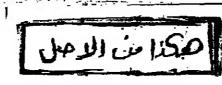
pressed on some level. The least you can say is, you know when you've been tangoed.

Party spokesmen dismissed suggestions that he might sig-nal the importance of education by taking over the portfo-lio himself. His praise for David Blunkett leaves little doubt that the shadow education secretary is expected to retain the portfolio. Lingering doubts that Labour might unscramble the merger of the education and employment departments also appear to have been quashed. Labour's education consen-sus would be based on rigorous testing, strong discipline, parental involvement and high-quality teaching, with special emphasis on the training of headteachers. There would be new proce-dures for heads from success-

dures for heads from successible the landmark speech there by ful schools to take over the Lord Callaghan, the last management of their strug-gling neighbours. Local edu-cation authorities would be

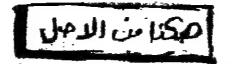
government approval. "We need to be able to intervene early with sufficient power to stop the spiral of decline ... We will encourage tried and tested leadership teams in successful schools to take responsibility for underperforming schools and provide a lifeline for those caught in a vicious circle of low expectations, poor managem

declining rolls and low morale," Mr Blair will say. Mr Blair is returning to Ruskin College 20 years after Labour Prime Minister. which set the terms of a cation authorities would be "great debate" on what expected to intervene to pro-vide intensive care for trou- Britain's educational decline.



Blair to embrace tough line to improve school standards continued from page 1 Blair will promise changes in the machinery of government bled schools before the Office for Standards in Education registered them as failures. When a school attracted to make the Department for Education and Employment

criticism for declining stan-dards of discipline or aca-"one of the great departments demic achievement, it should be put under the control of a successful head who would be given up to a year to weed out inadequate teachers and put the establishment back on its feet. There would be national guidelines for school rescue and each case would require



Chris Mihill on a sad and expensive addiction



Shoppers in Oxford Street, London - an estimated 700.000 shopaholics have an average debt of up to \$7,000, and rarely enjoy or use their purchase

Don't go mad, go shopping



Pop star Elton John loves for himself — more than 3,000 pairs of glasses, and hundreds of items of jewellery — and for his friends. He bought Liz Taylor a £100,000 ring, his yfriend an £80,000 Aston Martin, and he gave a Rembrandt to his favourite guitarist.

HOSE who are pow-erless to resist that must-bave item as they haunt Britain's shopping centres should reflect on the fact that their addiction probably springs from an unhappy As the Christmas jingle of tills reaches heights not seen since the mid-1980s, researchers from Oxford university report today that an estimated 700,000 shopabolics have an average debt of up to \$7,000 and rarely enjoy or use their purchases anyway.

Richard Elliott and Kevin Gournay analysed question-naires from 101 "addictive consumers" and compared them with 282 "normal" shoppers. They also interviewed 50 shopaholics — 46 women and four men aged between 19 and 74. They asked about lifestyle and problems such as marital breakdown, stress or sub-stance abuse, and how they felt about their behaviour. Half the group had debts of

between £1,000 and £7,000, and one in 10 had debts of more than £12,000. One woman

at factors such as how often people bought things they knew they could not afford, whether they felt others would be horrified if they



to create meaning for their lives, trying to become akilful purchasers, making the best possible buys with the money available to them. The revenge group experi

'Don't get mad, get everything'

Ivana Trump (left), in cameo role in the film The First Wives' Club

The former Czech ski champion and ex-wife of US billionaire Donald Trump took the title of Queen of Shopping from Imelda Marcos, the former Philippines first lady who had 3,000 pairs of shoes in her wardrobe. Mrs Trump won a \$25 million divorce settlement, allowing her to retain the title. Her House of Ivana range of cosmetics and iewellery, available on a TV shopping channel, has brought the joys of shopping to millions of couch potatoes.

cent of the addictive shoppers | could not afford them, comoften felt others would be hor-rifed if they knew of their pared with 10 per cent of the normal group, and 21 per cent of the addicts felt nervous or spending habits, compared with 10 per cent of the normal anxious on days when they did not go shopping, comshoppers. Sixty-one per cent

NEWS 3 Audit leads to Abbey tightening controls

trading activities sparked Barings' collapse. Under the terms of the Banking Act it

can convene a tripartite meet-ing of the company officials

responsible, the company's auditors and Bank of England

its computer records.

Mr Jones had told the Guardian that any changes of procedures made were in keeping with the general

effort to tighten up supervi-sion of banking institutions, following the Barings debacle in February 1995. In statement to the Sunday

Telegraph, Coopers & Ly-brand said: "We are entirely

Abbey National has a mar-

Dominic Walsh and Alex Brummer

HE Abbey National, Britain's second big-gest mortgage lender, has moved to auditors and Bank of England supervisors, when questions about compliance are raised. As a result of the questions raised by Coopers & Lybrand, the Abbey has reportedly moved its dealing rooms from Newbury, Berkshire, to an improved facility in London's Docklands. It has invested heavily in information tech-nology systems and security and instituted triple checking to ensure incorrect details of treasury trades do not enter its computer records. has moved to strengthen the financial con-

strengthen the financial con-trols in its treasury depart-ment after its auditors, Coopers & Lybrand, expressed deep concern about their durability. The move follows a routine sudit under Section 39 of the

audit under Section 39 of the Banking Act, which was auto-matically passed to the Bank of England.

It is understood the Bank, which regulates the Abbey National, has endorsed the changes proposed by Coopers & Lybrand in conjunction with the Abbey. The Abbey's board is believed to have been alerted to deep concerns at a lack of risk control systems in its treasury function, which is mainly responsible for raisis mainly responsible for rais-ing money on the wholesale markets. The treasury func-tion, set up when Abbey National joined the stock market in 1989, manages the group's balance sheet expo-sures, bedging against inter-est rate changes and currency movements.

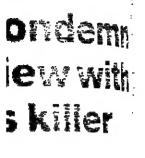
satisfied that Abbey National takes these reports seriously and responds to any recom-mendations for ongoing movements. When the Guardian con-tacted the Abbey at the begin-ning of last week it denied the ket value of almost £10

billion, annual profits of more than £1 billion and existence of any critical report or document on the opfollowing the recent acquisi-tion of National & Provincial, another mortgage lender — some 15 per cent of the UK home loans market. erations of its treasury. However, in a series of con-versations with the Guardian

A letter this week to the Guardian from Herbert over the last week Gareth Jones, the group treasurer, said that in the course of its Smith, the Abbey National's audits "the auditors came up solicitors, refers to the exiswith a lot of recommendatence of "a report prepared by our clients' auditors, Coopers tions of how things should be & Lybrand, for our clients' purposes". It adds: "This report is clearly confidential improved and these have been acted upon". He added there had been no

losses in the treasury depart-ment and Coopers & Lybrand had given it "an absolutely clear report". Abbey Nation-al's finance director, Ian Harto our clients. Although there is no sug-gestion whatsoever that the lack of risk control systems has led to any abnormal losses ley, said: "Every organisation will flag up issues, but they should not be taken out of by Abbey National traders, the Bank of England's interest will focus attention on the risks involved in running a context." He confirmed, however, that the company had been contacted by the Bank of complex treasury operation. This will be of particular in-England over the matter. The Bank has considerably

terest at a time when many building societies are moving from the tightly controlled tightened its procedures for the regulation and superviregime operated by the Buildsion of banks over the last 18 ing Societies Commission to



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The debt-ridden Duchess of York, former wife of Prince Andrew, last month admitted she was addicted to shoppping. She reportedly spent £200,000 in one hour at Bloomingdales, New York, and took one car for herself and another for her purchases. She said she equated shopping with a lack of self-esteem.

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ing her house to fund her habit. Almost all the purits, and whether people felt anxious or nervous on days chases were clothes, which they did not go shopping. they often never wore. The Oxford study, funded by the Economic and Social search Council, says many women use shopping in the same way men use alcohol -

to forget their problems. One woman aged 87 said: "Shopping is the only time I forget all the other problems in life." Another woman aged 48 said: "Shopping makes me

forget who I am — I feel I can get away from the real me." Compulsive shoppers emerge as sad and sometimes depressed people who see their relentless purchasing as a way of exercising control Revense was an important over their lives. Lifting their motive for one in 10 addictive mood or exacting revenge for failed relationships. shoppers. In other cases people were using shopping

The survey shows that the "pathological" shoppers were at different stages of their ad-diction — some had taken and that their only responsi bility was for mundane' tasks such as housekeeping and cooking. Comments such as steps to break the habit while 'he still treats me like a child' others had only recently come were common. to terms with the unmanage "Some consumers perceived themselves as the vic-tims of betrayal in a relationable financial and social con sequences of their addiction. However all exhibited the ship. Having taken overt same characteristics. "They showed the same pattern of action to address the situa-tion and found it unsuccessanticipation and excitement prior to and during the shopful, they adopt a more subver-sive method of 'getting back' ping experience, feelings of at their partner — by develop guilt and remorse afterward, ing and maintaining an addicand a desire to keep their betion to consumption." haviour and goods a secret."

Many of the addictive shoppers went shopping three or four days a week - and one in 10 shopped every day. The study found that 65 per

undermined and patronised

Cypriot suspicions greet Rifkind

Islanders dismiss minister's brief peace mission as electioneering

Chris Drake in Nicosla and Ian Black in London

YNICISM and indifference greeted the arrival in Cyprus yesterday of Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, on a peace mission highly touted by the Foreign Office.

On what is billed as a two day visit - although it will last less than 24 hours - Mr Rifkind is pliching into an international effort to bring about a settlement between Greeks and Turks on the di-vided island, even though dip-lomats admit that the chances of success are uncertain. The visit was brought for-

ward by one day because the Foreign Secretary has to hurry back to London, now that the Conservatives have lost their parliamentary majority, in time for tonight's Commons vote on European Union fisheries policy.

Today's Cyprus Mail gave voice to the suspicion widely held in the Greek-controlled south of the island, although denied in London, that Mr Rifkind's visit is mainly aimed at winning votes for the Tories from the large Cyp-riot community in Britain in the forthcoming General one Turkish soldier bave Election.

been killed along the buffer zone between the two sectors Mr Rifkind's change of schedule was not lost on some of those Greek Cypriots doing in re And with a large military force from mainland Turkey their Christmas shopping in Nicosia yesterday. One woman outside the local branch of Marks & Spenintrenched in the north of the sland, the Greek south has cer said: "Your British politibeen on an arms-buying cians are the same as all the rest. They're more interested Mr Rifkind is to meet sepa-

rately today with the Cypriot in saving themselves." Publicly, Cypriot officials will give Mr Rifkind a warm welcome, but even they do not president, Glafcos Clerides and Rauf Denktash, who heads the breakaway Turkish deny privately that they be-lieve his visit will produce Republic of Northern Cyprus established in 1983 but recognised only by Turkey. few concrete results. "The chances are not bril-With the United States and

the EU working on fresh

Britain is trying to claw back its role as leader of any mediwindow and Mr Denktash is a very big person. ation process. However, they admit that such international Negotiations have been stuck since 1992 when both sides looked at a UN-brokered tition is no bad thing. All the external parties set of "ideas" - formal draft

working on Cyprus - the US, the EU and the United proposals always provoke dis-agreement — for a "bi-zonal. Nations — share Britain's view that the status quo is too bi-communial federation" of the two communities. Mr Rifleind is accompanied by Sir David Hannay, one of langerous to maintain Four Greek Cypriots and

the most sharp-tongued of Britain's diplomatic trouble-shooters, who has been preparing the ground since being brought out of retirement to become a special envoy last May

Sir David, a former ambas-sador to the EU and UN, has drawn up a strategy of linking the drive for a settlement to the prospect of Cyprus's accession to the EU, on which talks are due to begin in 1998. There was much bristling last month when Mr Rifkind told the House of Commons that it would be "extremely difficult" for Cyprus to join liant, but a window of oppor- before there was a peace deal.

People still want a church wedding and perhaps a Christian baptism, but this nominal Christianity is not going to stop them consulting clairvoyants, dabbling in meditation. being fascinated with the paranormal and using an astrologer. Religious belief has become a DIY cocktail.

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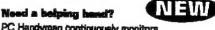
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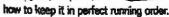
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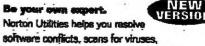
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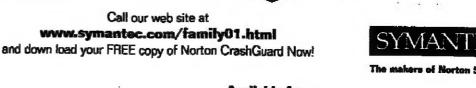


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Albert Wilson, above, charged with raping his 12-year-old stepdaughter, is in prison in Manila where his partner Vicky Delistan, below, visits him daily PHOTOGRAPH: SEAN SMITH

Briton on rape charge in **Philippines** fears he could be victim of court hostility

Owen Bowcott on an alleged 'heinous crime'

Erlend Clouston at the church where one of

the worst food poisoning outbreaks started

FORMER taxi driver held in a local prison, sharing among prisoners and there is from Kent, facing a cell with more than 20 other only one toilet. "Every time I want to leave stone since arriving here." This prime on a charge of Unshaven and with a sal-



at one sitting. I have lost two stone since arriving here." Mr Wilson was arrested

introduced in 1994. According to the latest figures, there are 267 convicts on death row. Of those, 46 are fathers found in bover, has just given birth to a grandchild, Jordan, be has never seen. guilty of raping their daugh-"He was back here in April and there was no problem at all then," she said. "He's been ters. There have not yet been any executions. The British embassy, going back and forth for sev eral years. I can't believe what's happened." whose staff have been visiting Mr Wilson, hopes that because the charge does not in-volve a blood relative, the death sentence could not be

But Mr Wilson's Manila lawyer, Mrs Nazareno, says tences in widely reported pae-dophile cases in the Philipthat the case has been classi pines. The judicial climate is fied as a "heinous crime" de-spite the fact that there is no not expected to be sympa-thetic to Britons coming be corroborating evidence and fore the courts. that medical reports are "I have had local television inconclusive.

cameras in the prison taking pictures of me in the cell," Mr Ms Delistan, aged 36, has stood by him, supporting his claim that her daughter was persuaded to make the allega-Wilson says. Even if he is found not guilty, he fears that the protions in order to force him to

cess may take several years. "There are people in here who have been waiting for pay out cash to relatives. "They want to make money out of me," Mr Wilson mainthree years for a trial." tains. "I'm a foreigner and to them that means I'm a mil-

Their home, built by Mr Wilson, is a two-roomed buninaaL than 30 lionaire. They have ap-proached me and asked for 1 the outskirts of town. There is

compensation for asbestos-related illness but servicemen

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Demand to seek out SS pensioners

Vivek Chaudhary

thorities have an obligation to pay German war veterans, even from the Hitler period, a war pension. And it wouldn't surprise me at all if they were ALLS were mountinvestigation into reports that hun-dreds of former SS soldiers and Nazi collaborators living in Britain are being paid a pension by the German gov-ernment for their war service. ing yesterday for an war Labour government made so little effort to vet people from Germany and According to reports, the

German government is pay-ing more than 21 million per year to 453 former soldiers who settled in Britain after the war Politicians and Jewish

of the pensioners served in the 14th Waffen SS "Galician" groups said yesterday that division, whose members the payments needed to be in-vestigated to ensure that none were allowed into Britain during the 1940s and 1950s.

The German government refuses to release a list of those receiving pensions, and British police and war crimen British police and war crimes investigators are only allowed access if they have criminal organisation", and all those receiving payments needed to be investigated. specific names. Most of those receiving the that the individuals were part

pension of £2,800 per year, on top of state pensions they receive from the British govof the concentration camps of murders. To the best of our knowledge the vast majority of people living in this country were not. But they were members of Hitler's comparison with mark they ernment, are believed to be from the former Soviet bloc where they enrolled or were conscripted into Hitler's Wal-fen SS or police units attached to the military. Some are also believed to be ethnic Germans who settled in

Britair Lord Merlyn-Rees, the for mer Home Secretary and chairman of the all-party parliamentry war crimes com-mittee, said: "It is important to discover if there is any

sense in which those people receiving payments committed war crimes." Winston Churchill, Conservative MP for Davyhulme,

The timing of the case is also worrying Mr Wilson's lawyers. Several Britons have recently received long sen-

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known what was going on. "I blame anyone who joined the SS." News of the payments comes as a pre-trial hearing is due to take place tomorrow in Sheffleid in the case of Szymon Serafinowicz, who live in Surrey and is accused of murdering Jews in Belarus. Most of the veterans in Britain managed to avoid scru-tiny until the passing of the

According to reports, many

He added: "It does not mean

of the concentration camps or

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War Crimes Act in 1991. Since then a Scotland Yard inquiry added: "It doesn't surprise me has led to around 300 cases at all that the German au- being reviewed.

Gothic collection to lay a nest egg

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rape, has claimed he is the low complexion, Mr Wilson, victim of an attempt to extort money from him. Albert "Suny" Wilson, who

aged 45, can receive visitors and telephone calls but cannot exercise. He sleeps on the has lived with his common law wife. Vicky Delistan, in a 6 in Valenzuela jail. Water

suburb north of Manila for must be carried up in a plas-the past five years, is being tic dustbin to be divided

call or stretch my legs," Mr Wilson explains, "I have to pay the guards 20 pesos (50 pence). The food is inedible. rice and sometimes a small amount of fish and and can be punishable by vegetables. death. Capital punishment was re-"What they give us in a

million pesos (£25,000) to have | a statue of the Virgin Mary on three months ago and charged with raping his 12the allegations withdrawn." year-old stepdaughter. Under Mr Wilson first went to the Philippines law the offence is Philippines on holiday in acles to happen". classed as a "heinous crime"

one wall and beneath it the motto: "Wish and expect mir-

1990. He returned the The Foreign Office, which following year and decided to stay. He has two children of his own in Britain. His daugh-the case and his claims.

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Ex-Royal Navy man seeks

damages for asbestosis

retirement nest egg. The Return of Sherlock Holmes — bought for the then princely sum of three pounds and ten shillings - became the first book in a collection of over 6,000 pieces of early detective fiction and gothic horror stories. The best of

them come under the hammer at Sotheby's in London tomorrow. Mr Stevens, who has a law practice in Devon, has de-

diers dressed as tourists then invade the old enemy.



HE bespectacled minis-ter squinted up the buddy," reminisced the green lemonade bottle. cleric who has now had to "Look, here's some we brought back," said Rev bury five poisoned mem-bers of his congregation James Davidson, wryly sloshing the turquoise holy scheduled for this week.

Mr Davidson was explaining how two years ago the same fluid had been used to baptise Josie Fos-ter, the 83-year-old Wishaw woman who this weekend became the twelfth victim of Lanarkshire's E. coli epidemic. The epidemic has now reached the dubious now reached the dubious distinction of being one of the world's worst food poi-soning outbreaks.

water to and fro.

for the twice-yearly meal laid on by the parish for the very elderly and sebound. Neighbours yesterday woman. "She used to sit at with another two more Mr Davidson led the the window waving at Wishaw Old Church expedi-tion to the Holy Land which

everyone who walked past," reported retired ended with Mrs Foster being baptised at Caesarea, coach-builder Frank Stafford." below Mount Hermon, in Philippi. "She did every-The church meal had been a treat for the Aidrie hairdresser's widow, largely dependent on the dial-a-bus service and varithing; she had a great

time," he recalled. His service, once again.

Friends who became E. coli victims

plague which has over-whelmed his 150-year-old pointed out the seven de-church. ceased had been his friends, Mrs Foster had been one of 90 diners four weeks ago

not just church members. Earlier, details of the funeral services for Josie, Jimmy Henderson and Bert Swanston had been tactfully delayed until the Sunday school children filed out. Mr Davidson said prayers for "Josie", "doctors and nurses" and "that we may be victors in spite of being victims". Two of the original 14 diners remain in hos-pital, with a further 15 recovering at home.

Spiritually, he believes the line is holding. Yesterday's 130 worshippers were given a sermon based on St Paul's Letter to the Romans

Kate Watson-Smyth ARETIRED Royal Naval en-gineer who was exposed to asbestos dust during his

compensation. Mr Quinn, who served in the navy from 1949 to 1956, suffers from asbestosis and is practically bedridden. He is

seeking damages of up to £125,000. As the law stands civilian

Manchester for the hearing but his solicitor, Paul Glan-ville, said he was determined to fight the case. "It is all down to the word-

employees of the Ministry of Ing of section 10 of the 1947 Defence are able to claim Crown Proceedings Act."

shost-story telling competi-tion with Byron and Mary As well as spawning Mary Shelley's gothic masterpiece Frankenstein the occasion





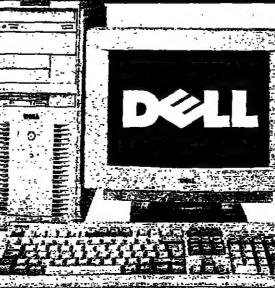
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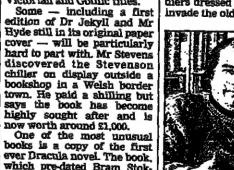


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pected to produce a £100,000 the edition on sale at Sotheby's is thought by Mr Stevens to be the only copy with

the "little deceit" inside. Also in the sale is a novel published in 1882 under the pseudonym of Grip which is the stuff of every modern day Europhobe's nightmares. How John Bull Lost London or The Capture Of The Chan-nel Tunnel, which is attributed to J Drew Gay, tells the

story of an agreement be-tween France and Britain to cided to part with over 2,000 Victorian and Gothic titles. build a tunnel. French sol-



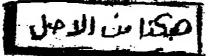
which pre-dated Bram Stok-er's work by almost 90 years, was written by Lord Byron's physician, John Polidori, after he had taken part in a

During one eight-week period Mr Quinn worked on HMS Giory as a stoker/me-chanic. He was required to clean the boller which meant service will tomorrow chal-lenge in the High Court the law that prevents serving members of the Armed Forces from pursuing claims for Ronald Quinn, 65, is the

which emphasised the per-

stripping asbestos insulation from pipes. Workers had no protective equipment, and were not warned of the dangers, according to Mr Quinn. first person to bring such a case which, if successful, In 1979 he was forced into early retirement through illcould open the floodgates for hundreds of similar claims.

health and in 1982 he was told he had a malignant mesothelioma. He is too ill to travel from his home in Leeds to



Britain in Europe Blair denies he will be 'soft touch' for the EU

weekend summit in Dublin — | achieved on tax: take a strong |

for Labour.

Michael White and John Palmer

Major.

summit in Amsterdam,

British team. With Mr Major and his ONY Blair yesterday senior colleagues piling on the "soft touch" rhetoric, Mr moved to reassure voters that he plans to Blair, fresh from a round of talks with EU leaders, is make Britain a "strong leading player" in the European Union if he wins aware of the pitfalls and is determined to portray the

the coming election, in con-Prime Minister as a virtual ghost at the European table, trast to what he dismissed as the self-defeating "perpetual marginalisation" of John his credit used up by domestic weakness.

He said on Radio 4's the World This Weekend: "If we're to stay in Europe, the In an interview designed to neutralise the concerted Tory campaign to present him as a "soft touch" on Europe, he in-sisted that a Blair cabinet

hoping for a more positive

Labour cabinet 'would retain national would retain national control on areas such as defence, taxcontrol on areas such as defence,

ation, immigration and bor-der controls — the most emo-tive negotiating issues in the tax, immigration and border controls' months up to next June's

test should be: success or fail- ("big three" weight to help ure. And the truth is, because of the problems in the Couser- from the Franco-German That is clear, and that is ure. And the truth is, because of the problems in the Couserabsolute and nobody's in any doubt about that in the rest of vative Party, we are probably axis. Europe. Indeed, in many in the weakest position Brit-

ain has been in -- weak in terms of gaining the things we actually want since we entered the Common Marcases, they share our belief that some of these areas should remain areas of una-nimity," said Mr Blair. But, like Mr Major, he left himself some freedom of maket." In contrast to what some

senior Tories last night dis-missed as "Mr Blair's road to noeuvre to concede less important questions like quali-fied majority voting. "Waiting for Blair," is one "Waiting for Rlair," is one reason why EU leaders shelved key decisions at the what it believes it has

The stakes were raised for both sides in Dublin where Mr Blair joined fellow-EU ners in Amsterdam. But campaigning in the socialist leaders for their tra-ditional eve-of-summit cauelection on a pro-European stance did not mean he would cus, though yesterday he em-phasised repeatedly that right-of-centre governments also wanted strong British leadership that could use its

Tory issue and make it a plus

Privately, Mr Major tells

EU leaders he would like to sound more positive, but can-

not, Mr Blair was told.

The Dutch government, The Dutch government, which takes over the rotating EU presidency on January 1, believes it may be able to strike a deal on a new EU treaty which will have the backing of a Blair-led govern-ment. Other EU ministers who dined with the Labour leader in Dublin were also en-couraged, though they do not

couraged, though they do not expect him to move on issues like border control

not put the national interest first, aides later emphasised. "I certainly got the impres-sion that what they want from any British government — whether it's Labour or Conservative — is clarity." He accused Mr Major of ne-cationing simple on the hole

gotiating simply on the basis of his internal party

 The Ulster Unionist leader, David Trimble, yesterday said his party would not act in a "capricious or irresponsi-ble" way in deciding the Gov-ernment's fate in key Commons votes.

Mr Blair told the Dutch

prime minister, Wim Kok,

that he would take a "co-oper-

ative" approach to the Inter-governmental conference ne-gotiations and was determined to reach agree-

ment with Britain's EU part-

was

He was speaking ahead of today's annual fisheries de-bate. Mr Trimble said he was looking for assurances over fish and beef — both impor-tant industries for Ulster. "It's only a matter of weeks

now to the point at which Par-liament will be dissolved and in that period of time we're not going to behave in a capricious or irresponsible manner."



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A kiss for Christmas? . . . Ms Gorman wants a mistletoe boycott because the main supplier is Francephotograph



Mistletoe's tale

BRITAIN 5

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ENNETH CLARKE last night defended the de-Euro-currency as "deliber-ately a bit Euro and nonnational", and heaped scorn on the Euro-sceptic Tory press for making such a fuss about the banknob They're the modern type of European banknote with

Ochael White

security reasons — and they're all right," the Chan-cellor told BBC2's The Money Programme. They had to be deliber-

Ken Clarke: 'psychedelic ately a bit Euro and noncolours are for security' national. I think the excite-

With Saturday's Sun going into orbit over the designs and the Daily Mail denouncing an end to 1,100 years of history since Alfred the Great reunited England, Mr Clarke must have known he would cause trouble. But he was not the only exfuture leader of a major party to step out yesterday. Hattersley, Neil Kin-Roy nock's deputy for nine years, damned Tony Blair's New Labour Party with the faint praise of a flery old radical. New Labour is in many

the Continent."



The spirit is this: we want things to be a bit better, we want to be rather kinder and more compassionate to people. We're not prepared to take immense risks to bring about that great compassion, that greater kindness.

berries "It's gentle improving, but let's be cautious in our improvement. That's what Tony stands for."

are kiss ment in the British press is Spin doctors will be hard-pressed to complain, but they ways a new party, and the British people realise that," frankly ridiculous. It's just For good measure Mr Clarke reminded MPs and Britis voters alike that Britain has Mr H ð. ceptic voters allke that Britain has Mr Hattersley declared. "It's may be right to suspect had many different designs also a hugely disciplined Hattersley is disappointed. of death cided to set excited about them all over again."

French





Teresa Gorman: ready to endure a little less intimacy

"There are many good, healthy, sensible people who refused to buy French apples and French bread," she said. "Now, I hope, they will refuse to buy French mictiente." ERESA Gorman is making one of the supreme sacrifices for an mistletoe."

Essex MP. She is giving up mistletoe for Christmas "even if it does mean a lit-She was joined by the Labour MP for Bolton South-east, David Young, who asked, "Isn't it time Moreover, she called yesterday for a nationwide that Britain stopped hand-

boycott of the plant because these days neither love nor ing all the advantages over to France on a plate? Surely money will buy you the true British variety, which we as a country should be able to make the most of the Druids used to cut from any available market from our own resources." The claims behind their

trees with a golden sickle. All you can get is nasty, costly, bogus EU mistletoe from France. Mrs Gorman, cross-party concern come from a survey by the char-Conservative Eurosceptic MP for Billericay, is asking ity Plantlife which found late last month that up to the Agriculture Minister. balf the traditional English Douglas Hogg, to take orchards in which mistletoe grows have been de- the apple market."

stroyed in the past 20 years. This is partly thanks to grants aimed at reducing European apple surpluses. Some farmers have replaced orchards with dwarf apple trees which are unfriendly to mistletoe. Most plants on sale this Christmas come from Normandy.

Mrs Gorman said grants for the grubbing-up of old trees was allowing French apple-growers - who have no seasonal home market for mistletoe - to cash in

on British demand. Mr Young said: "I will be asking Mr Hogg to see if there is any way we can exploit this market without affecting other crops. We do not want to lose out on this as we have lost out on

Plantlife said that, while the plant was in marked decline in Britain, it was not an endangered species. It could be seen growing on urban lime trees but could not be harvested there. Harvestable mistletoe in Britain had decreased "dramatically."

English mistletoe is still grocers and street traders. Remaining market Remaining supplies come mostly from the Welsh borders and the South-west but are now scarce in Kent.

It is regarded as fresher than French mistletoe, with bigger branches and more berries. But in the Southeast yesterday traders said that it was almost impossible to get — and even the French version was in short supply.

Tory left denies defection talk

Michael White considers the prospects of political realignment after the general election over the question of Europe

ORY moderates yester-day dismissed the fections or, as some Liberal chances of a mean data chances of a mass defec-Democrats predict, to an histion to the Liberal Democrats toric realignment of the cenif the Conservative Party tre-left involving all three swings to the right after los parties, is unclear. ing the coming election. But they did not disguise their despair over party in-fighting. If the feuding helps produce a Blair-led Labour government, possibly in informal coalition with the Liberal Democrats and adopting more pro-European policies, it would tempt leftwing Tories to vote with the new government on European Union issues, as MPs, including Paddy Ash- 1981. down, predicted yesterday. "It is absolutely vital that current Tory MPs who may jump ship after the next elec-tion," Mr Kirkwood told the all those who are determined to see Britain play a construc-tive role in Europe combine Sunday Telegraph. Mainacross parties to make sure stream Tories attributed the speculation to a mixture of fishing for Tory votes — espe-cially in the West Country the anti-European Conserva tive majority is defeated, and that Britain is able to get the where Liberal Democrat hopes are highest — and Eurobest deal from Europe. The Tories are not just a lame duck government, but a dead

sceptic hunting for the scalps of their moderate colleagues. duck government," he said. Whether such a scenario Apart from the combative

Edwina Currie, who last week | weight if they go into opposi-threatened to stand down in | tion because ex-ministers will her marginal Derbyshire | be free at last to speak their Edwina Currie, who last week (South seat if more concessions are made to the Euro-sceptics, few pro-EU Tories are willing to put their heads

above the parapet. But familiar names which crop up as "the usual sus-pects" include Hugh Dykes, Sir Robert Hicks, Sir David Knox and Peter Temple-Mor-With even senior ministers ris, convenor of the Macleod

privately discussing their prospects for the worst drub-Though no less a Tory punbing this century, the Liberal dit than the Sunday Tele-Democrat chief whip, Archy Kirkwood, confirmed that he graph's Sir Peregrine Worsth-orne yesterday lavishly praised Kenneth Clarke as the leader who could "wipe the smile off Mr Blair's manand his colleagues stay in touch with pro-European Tory MPs, hoping to strengthen their ranks as nered face", Euro-Tory pessimists believe their hero has blown his chances of succeedthey did when the SDP split with Labour over Europe in ing John Major. "We are talking about 12 "It's almost like a death wish," says one. But right-

wingers admit that the left has one advantage: the likeli-hood of uniting behind one candidate while John Redwood, Michael Portillo, Michael Howard and even Michael Forsyth fight to be-come champion of the right. Though the new intake of Tory MPs will be predomi-

have to have another European realignment with some of us supporting Labour . The Foreign Secretary, Douglas Hurd, dismissed

claims about Tory MPs ap-proaching the Liberal Demo-crats. "The Liberals run this nantly rightwing, the left believes they will punch more now and again.'

What could cement a full realignment of the left, in-cluding Blairite Labour, with moderate Tories and the Liberal Democrats, could be electoral reform, leading to proportional representation portional representation, as much as Europe — though Mr Blair, eager for power, is wary of both.

minds on Europe.

Yesterday, Roy Hattersley, former deputy Labour leader, Group of moderate Tories. revealed that a Tory backbencher had approached him last week hinting at supporting Labour over Europe after an election. "Some Tory back-benchers are talking about a

European realignment, though not a realignment in general," he said on BBC1's Breakfast With Frost. "One of them approached me on Friday, forgetting I wouldn't be here after the election ... saying, 'It may be

that after the election we will

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Hard times have returned, but this time Orthodoxy is to blame. David Hearst in Moscow reports News in brief

Christians suffer in Russia Belgrade opposition

HRISTIAN denom-inations and their missionaries are again being perse-cuted in Russia, but this time the discrimina-

tion is being inspired and or-chestrated by the Russian Orthodox Church rather than the Communist Party.

Provincial laws regulating the activities of "foreign mis-sionaries" are being used to impose a complex and expen-sive system of accredition, or licensing by the state.

Some regions are threaten-ing to impose what amounts to a tax on worship at 10 times the minimum wage, and non-Orthodox Churches are already finding it difficult to

hire halls for prayer meetings. Udmurtia Republic has taken the laws to an extreme: missionaries must pay a £100 fee each month, they are fined £1,000 if they hold services outside registered places of worship, and they face a £2,000 penalty for distributing unsanctioned literature.

Religious intolerance is also growing in places where market reforms are most ad-

Kremlin wins support of opposition MPs for draft budget RUSSIA'S embattled gov- | tor Chernomyrdin, who Rernment scored a key | was visibly relieved that a threat to Russia's economic stability had been averted. victory yesterday when parliament. dominated by the Communist and nationcalled the decision a tri-umph of good sense and coalist opposition, was per-suaded to approve the 1997 draft budget on its first

reading, writes Oleg Shchedrov in Moscow. The prime minister, Vik-

vanced, such as Sverdlovsk, | [about £2,750], which was the region where President Boris Yeltsin was born. The local laws in up to 25

regions were originally de-signed to stop the invasion of permission three times." His 400-strong "Resurrec-tion" congregation helps run missionaries which began in 1991, but groups established in Russia for more than 100 an orphanage and old people's home. He said: "The patriyears, such as the Baptists arch [the head of the Russian Orthodox Church] recently declared that he did not have and Seventh Day Adventists,

and Sevenin Day Auvenuss, are being hardest hit. One Baptist priest living in south Moscow has been try-ing unsuccessfully to buy anything against the Baptists. For a long time our Churches lived in peace. According to the constitution, all the land on which to build a church for five years. Pavel Savchenko said: "We have Churches have equal rights. "But the tenor of recently collected 25 million roubles adopted legislation in prov-

dent Boris Yeltsin is ex-pected to make his first operation. Russian Communists and visit to the Kremlin since their allies in the lower house had previously op-posed the draft. his heart surgery last month. It then goes to the upper house. spent on preparing all the documentation on the build-ing. But we have been refused 1993 constitution." The provincial laws allow

local authorities to deny reg-istration to groups practising prophetic witness, or what the legislation calls "promot-ing disobedience to the state authorities" or "igniting reli-

gious dissension" The definition of a mission-ary is so wide it can include a Roman Catholic parish. Already two Catholic groups have come under attack from the Russian Orthodox hierar chy: Pro Deo et Fratibus runs a mission for children from poor families in the Yarosla

Deputies voted by more than 2-1 for the draft. The

second and third readings

are due to be held on De-cember 25. the day Presieconomic policy, said: "The style of work characterised ilry," it says. <u>Mikhail</u> Volfkovich, a Russian who runs the House of Maria, said yesterday: "We used never to have these problems... Religion for us is a help in saving drug takers and it's not important by confrontation with the executive power does not take us anywhere. "We need to change our style." - Reuter. whether that religion is Catholic or Orthodox." inces openly contradicts the | val region; and the House of Lawrence Uzzell, an Ortho-dox believer at the Keston In-Maria runs a drug rehabilitation centre.

here it flourishes.

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Yury Maslyukov, a lead

ing Communist and chair-man of the Duma (parlia-

mentary) committee for

stitute, a multi-denomina-Both were savagely crititional human rights group in Oxford, said: "I certainly cised recently in an official Orthodox Church publication, the Missionary Observer. The author wrote: "The mission is full of electronic games. Alas, Bruno [Mizeolek, the mission's agree that the Western mis-sionaries themselves have a lot to answer for, for their insensitivity in going into a place that has had thousands leader] is not the first mission-ary from abroad who tries to seduce children in such a way Rock music is playing in the mission and children are doing there what they want.

of years of Christianity. "But freedom of consci is the most fundamental of all human rights. By violating its own constitution in this way. Pedogogical anarchism is a frightening phenomenon and Russia is raising grave doubts about even its desire to become a law-governed state."

The Missionary Observer describes the groups as "two arms of an octopus" envelop-ing the Russian Orthodox

heartland. "They take our

children to a small Disney-

and, a trap of cunning dev-

Belgrade opposition

A RECORD quarter of a million people marched through the Serbian capital Belgrade yesterday, the 28th day of protests against alleged government election fraud and opposition to President Slobodan Milosevic. "It's the biggest so far, it's encounter " a transfer the independent Relevance active Deenormous," a reporter for the independent Belgrade radio B92

sain. Meanwhile, in a breakthrough for the opposition, a court in the southern city of Nis ordered the city's election commission to restore the victory won by the opposition Zapadno (Together) coalition in last month's local elections. The government had overturned opposition victories in a number of towns.

The opposition victories in a number of towns. The opposition received a further boast when John Korn-blum. US assistant secretary of state, held talks in Geneva with a Serbian opposition leader. Vuk Draskovic, and alterwards expressed support for the "democratic process" in Serbia. — Reuter, Belgrade.

Women and Maoris in cabinet

NEW ZEALAND'S prime minister. Jim Bolger, named four women and three indigenous Maoris to his cabinet yesterday, five days after his conservative National Party formed a coalition with the populist New Zealand First party. Mr Bolger said the 20-member cabinet, along with six non-cabinet ministers, was a "bold reflection" of the rountry's diver-city. He descend three ministers to make way for the party blood

sity. He dropped three ministers to make way for the new bland New Zealand First's leader and former Bolger rival, Winston Peters, was named as deputy prime munister and budget treasurer. - AP, Wellington The new right, page 9

Threat to exiled prince

AMBODIA'S co-prime minister Hun Sen threatened yesterday to shoot down any airliner than brought exited Prince Norodown Sirivudh back to Phnom Penh. He warned that any groups that tried to protect the exited half-brother of King Norodom Sihanouk would face violence.

would face violence. "I have prepared 45 tanks to attack if any forces are deployed to protect Sirivudh," he said in a speech on national radio. "The fighting will be at Phnom Penh's Pochentony airport." Prince Sirivudh agreed to go into exile in Prance after he was

arrested last year for allegedly plotting to assassinate Mr Hun Sen. He was sentenced in his absence at a trial which interna-tional observers called a travesty. — Agencies, Phrom Penh.

Uday 'in serious condition'

SADDAM HUSSEIN'S eldest son, Uday, has been operated on four times in the past two days and remains in a serious condition after he was shot last week in Baghdad, an opposition group clauned at the weekend. Its report could not be independently confirmed. He was wounded in the right side of the neck when gummen opened fire with heavy machine-kuns and threw grenades at his armoured car on Thursday, an Amman-based opposition group,

Baghdad newspapers carried a telegram yesterday from the

Palestinian Authority president, Yasser Arafat, who congritu-lated President Saddam on his son's survival and urged fraq to continue backing the Palestinians. -- AP, Cairu,

Police led to cyanide gas

A FORMER member of the doomsday cult Aum Shinri Kyo, which carried out a sarin gas attack on the Tokyo subway in March 1995, has led police to about 1.5kg of sodium cyanide buried in the mountains, Japanese newspapers reported yesterday. Satoshi Matsushita, arrested earlier this week after 18 months in hiding, helped police find three containers filled with the toxic chemical used to make cyanide gas, the reports said. Police would

not confirm the reports. Menowhile, the former US vice-president Walter Mondale ended a long political career yesterday when he retired as ambassador to Japan, after three years in the post. - AP. Tokyo.

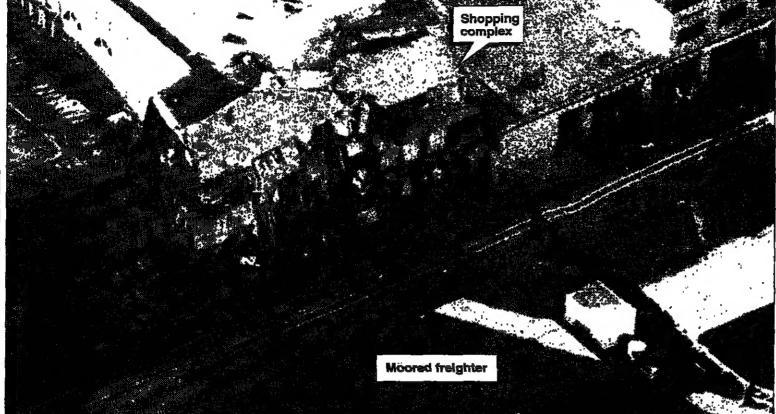
Ship slams into shops

Martin Walker In Washington

ORE than 100 people were injured when a 763ft freighter rammed a hotel and shopping complex on the New Orleans river-front at the weekend.

"It just kept coming," said a shopping mall worker, Chris Storey. "It started to shake and we looked out the store window - glass and water and the celing just started falling in People started running out in panic and it just went black inside."

Another witness, Wood Thomas, said: "The ground starting shaking like an earthquake and everyone started running out. People were trying to get off the ca sino boat, jumping into the river The Liberian merchant ves-sel Bright Field, loaded with grain, suffered a fuel pump failure and lost power and steering control as it entered the bend in the Mississippi at New Orleans known as Al-giers Point. Its sirens blaring, the ship slammed into Riverwalk wharf, plunging its bow into the Hilton hotel, and then skidded to within 70 feet of a moored casino boat.



"It's almost like a pancake, about a football field long," a city councilman, Oliver Thomas, said. "Right where there was a wharf, there is water now."

It was reported at first from the scene that at least six people had died, but this was later denied. Coastguard teams searching the rubble with infrared detectors found no sign of bodies. One of the injured was kept in hospital

overnight The shin's horn and sirens began sounding nearly three minutes before it hit the wharf, giving people enough warning to start getting away. Nicole Trufant, who worked

at a show store in the com- reported missing were found

in time. A city councillor, Peggy Wilson, said a group of Girl Scouts who had been accident.

plex, said her boss looked out safe, but four mentally any attempt to extricate it ships a day pass by New of the window, saw the ship retarded children could not could bring down yet more of Orleans. It is the only place on the Mississippi where trafthe shopping complex. The crash is likely to in-crease demands for more to control the river traffic. Two tugs held the crumpled

The freighter Bright Field, which crashed into a shopping complex and hotel in New Orleans at the weekend

vessel against the wrecked restrictions on shipping in "It's the busiest and most wharf yesterday, fearing that the Mississippi, where 400 treacherous stretch of the

river," said Lieutenant Verne Gifford of the coastguard. "You're talking about the river taking a bend of more than 90 degrees and a current as strong as 9-10 knots pushing water through there

PHOTOGRAPH: JENNIFER 2004

Priebke case delayed

AN ITALIAN war crimes case against the former SS captain Erich Priebke met a further obstacle yesterday when a civilian prosecutor said he had no jurisdiction. Italo Ormanni, Rome's deputy public prosecutor, referred the case back to a preliminary examining judge with a recommendation that Italy's highest

court, the court of cassation, be asked to decide whether Mr Priebke, aged 83, should be tried in a civilian or military court. On December 5 a panel of military judges had concluded that a civil court should decide whether Mr Priebke was guilty of complicity in Italy's worst atrocity of the second world war. The ruling brought the case into line with that of the former SS major Karl Hass.

Mr Priebke and Mr Hass are accused of complicity in multiple murder for their participation in the Ardeatine Caves massure in March 1944, when 335 men and boys were shot in reprisal for a partisan bomb attack.

Mr Priebke's earlier military trial in Rome ended in uproar in August when the court found him guilty but ruled he was no longer liable for punishment. The verdict was later overturned. - Reuter, Rome.

Deranged man shoots priest

A DERANGED gumman who shot and wounded a priest and a A Derrarching guillant who and and would de a priese and a sexton in a Geneva church before surrendering to police yest day opened fire because the victims "would not leave me in

day opened fire because the victims "would not leave me in peace", a Swiss newspaper reported. After the shootings, the gunman called the SonntagsBlick weekly on a mobile telephone as heavily armed police sealed off the area. "Hello. This is the former head of the city of Basie's military command. I shot a priest and a sexton a few minutes ago because they would not leave me in peace despite my warning," the weekly quoted him as saying. — *Reuter, Geneva*.

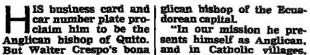
Ecuador's clergy sigh to be rid of fraudulent priest

The self-styled bishop of the 'Anglican-Catholic Church' may be stretching Christian tolerance. Phil Gunson in Quito reports

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But Walter Crespo's bona fides as a man of the cloth - let alone an Anglican bishop - are, to say the least. controversial. "He's a stone in our shoe,"

says Bishop Neptali Larrea, president of the IX Province of the United States' Episco-pal Church and the real An-

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Crespo, who admits receiv-ing finance from the Libyan leader Colonel Muammar Gadafy, and says he is also bishop of Tripoli, is unrewhen it is to his advantage. pentant. Claiming to represent the true Anglican he presents himself as sent the true Anglican Church of Ecuador, he de-scribes George Carey, Arch-bishop of Canterbury and figurehead of the Anglican Catholic. I don't know how much longer we can toler-ate it. We've named a commission to monitor the situation. Eventually we'll communion throughout the have to sue him." world, as "an unrepentent The self-styled Bishop

heretic

"We pray for him every week," he says. Dr Carey, though no doubt His priestly vocation, he | tion" which "bought false says, stems from the late 1970s, after he worked for Renewing your home insurance unamused, has confined himself to mild reproofs: "Walter Crespo is not, and never has been, a bishop of the Anglican communion." Mr Crespo runs the so-called Anglican-Catholic Church of Ecuador (ICAE) from an imposing three-storey building in one of nation of women. pears never to have taken place, largely owing to a murky incident in South Quito's most exclusive dis-tricts. Local sources say the

Orange, New Jersey, in-volving accusations of building, which doubles as his home and the "Church of St Nicholas", could be worth about £650,000. fraud by the US immigration service (INS).

"He has a lot of money. there's no doubt about there's no doubt about that," says Bishop Larrea. Seated in an elegant liv-ing room with mahogany floors, Mr Crespo spins a history of the local Angli-can Church that goes back in the say of independence of his colleagues were

to the war of independence. "We are the historic Church," he claims. "They [the Episcopalians] didn't justice. He describes the INS as a "fascist organisaarrive until 1964, and they were illegal until 1983."

The Archbishop of Canterbury is a

What is known is that Mr to financial matters". He Crespo was running an offi-cially sanctioned immi-crespo, and "a good part of stally sanctioned immi-grant advice office, the His-panic Pastoral Centre, which was closed by the INS in 1991, and that for

it has not been repaid". Bishop Larrea, who says Mr Crespo was also thrown out of an Episcopalian Sem-inary in Ecuador, adds: "He's an opportunist. "Wherever the news is, there he is too." His closeness to Col Ga-

dafy (he claims to have acted as a mediator after the Lockerble bombing) has

- they over estimate me," Mr Crespo says. "They seem to think I'm some kind of 007, but they are witnesses who were given immigration documents in kill my good name."

seems unperturbed. With his cell phone-toting priests, he is scouring the country for fresh converts.

led to allegations that he is a spy. "They say Γm CIA, KGB heretic. We pray for him every week'

the ones with a licence to

But time could be run-ning ont for him, at least in Ecuador. Earlier this month, Bishop Larrea met the interior minister, General Frank Vargas, to ask the government to withdraw its recognition of Mr

Crespo as a genuine bishop. Mr Crespo, however,

Victoria Annan, aged 88, said her son helped her as an informal debt collector for her bakery business in Ghana, for which she paid him a small commission. "He was all the time anxious to find

THE mother of Kofi Annan has been revealing some of the

Chanaian childhood secrets of the next secretary-general of the

paid him a small commission. "He was all the time ancious to lind out from me whether the customers had paid. If not he would be chasing them. He would just take my book and go out and take as much as he could get from them," she said. She also recalled how Kofi, a twin and the third of her five children, was a lively and mischlevous child at elementary school that he elementary school "but he always managed to get away with it". -- Reuter. Accra.

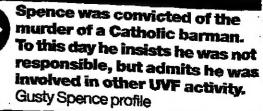
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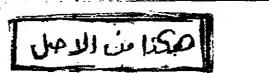
Loving mother

United Nations.

MOSHE BEERI'S 70-year-old mother died two weeks ago but he is keeping her in his freezer in central Israel until scientists find a way to bring her back to life. Israel Radio reported yesterday. "It's very hard for me to part from her physically and emotion-ally," he said outside the court where police are asking for a burial order. "This is her will and ours as well because it's the only way was bross to size her a charge to part of a during the court we know to give her a chance to return some day." The court postponed a decision. — Reider, Jerusalem.



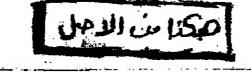




exchange for immunity". the United Nations in Geneva. He was elected bishop of Quito by dissident Epis-But the dissident bishops who elected him decided, one says, that his election copalians in the US who were angry about the ordihad been secured by "frand almost unequalled", and determined to depose him But his consecration ap-

from Holy Orders. Gordon Charlton, the dean of an Episcopal semi-nary at which Mr Crespo studied, accused Mr Crespo in 1980 of "a certain irre-sponsibility when it comes

jailed for fraud. Mr Crespo left the US at that time — though not, he claims, as a fugitive from



A 25-year war between the Philippine army and Muslim insurgents officially ended in September, but an armed group demanding secession continues to. recruit children as young as 15. **Owen Bowcott** in Cotabato reports on the prospects for a lasting truce



WORLD NEWS 7 President tells why he ousted **'brazen' Benazir**

Goebbels, the president ac-cuses her of evading the Phil Goodwin in Islamabad truth. "Such a blatant disavowal

PLeghari of Pakistan has launched a venomous attack on Benazir Bhutto the prime minister he ousted in November - in a report to the supreme court which attempts to justify his use of constitutional powers to

In the 202-page document, which the president says has 7,000 pages of annexes, he al-leges that Ms Bhutto and her government:

quer as a "kitty for her and her cohorts"; □ Bugged the telephones of almost all senior judges and many key politicians; □ Made thousands of illegal

government appointments; cutions" in Karachi;

clear government majority was lacking in parliament to deny the opposition a role

in law making. Ms Bhutto has denied all the allegations. Senior members of her party object that the report has been set before the su-preme court without obstacles,

preme court without obstacles, while her first two attempts to lodge a petition challenging her removal were disallowed by the court on the grounds that its language was "scandal-ous and objectionable". Mr Leghari says the agenda of Ms Bhutto's government was "only personal aggran-disement ... when policies being implemented are not merely violative of law, but are designed to institutional-ise corruption, nepotism and ise corruption, nepotism and

disorder was to

sition party MQM in Karachi. In his new document, Mr Leghari says Ms Bhutto turned Karachi into "killing fields" in an operation which

minister, Nawaz Sharif, was

Cracks appear in fragile peace

ECESSIONIST Mus-lim rebels in the Philippines are training a new gen-eration of fighters in mountain jungle camps

around western Mindanao, de-spite the peace accord in September with the govern-ment of the mainly Catholic country. In Cotabato, the adminis-

trative headquarters of the Autonomous Region in Mus-lim Mindanao (Armm), children as young as 15 are being recruited for military service by the largest remaining in-

surgent group. Three months into the peace process, however, the war which lasted for more than 25 years has stalled to a political stand-off. Sporadic

governor of the Armm and | and began a campaign of milichairman of the Southern tary subjugation and the in-Philippines Council for Peace troduction of Christian setand Development. The breakaway Moro Is-lamic Liberation Front the Philippines by the United

(MILF), which demands an in-dependent Muslim state in Mindanao and claims to have up to 100,000 armed supporters, rejected the peace settle-ment and is awaiting separate

"The MILF say they have taken up a defensive position. but they are constantly recruiting people to undergo three-week military training

sessions in their mountain camps," said Professor Rufa Cagaco-Guiam of the local

as 15 years old, at which time cession of 60-day truces by the even have anti-tank guns. other islands where it faces Their arms come in from abroad or from corrupt soldiers who sell them army weapons." The conflict in Mindanao has deep historical roots. Religion reinforces tribal divisions; Islamic merchants few clashes in northern Lu-from Indonesia converted the zon nowadays. "The same settlement, the largest receive for lating in the Moro National 1570s. The Spanish, confronting their traditional religious op-campaign. Its long-serving leader, Nur Misuari, became globe, dubbed them Moors i tons have been plagued with is problems are how to de-lating the largest receive for the cash received for handing in rifles has been the ber or November and the ber or November a

Taiks in Tripoli — attended by Taiks in Tripoli — attended by the Libyan leader, Muammar Gadafy, and Imelda Marcos, wife of the then Philippine dic-tator Fardinand Marcos — resulted in an agreement to establish an autonomous region in Mindanao. The settlement did not hold.

The latest deal, negotiated by President Fidel Ramos, appears more likely to succeed. It extends the pragmatic counter-insurgency policies he has adopted elsewhere in the Philippines, such as a suc-



pants included international aid agencies — including Britain's Voluntary Services Overseas — which offered support in development and training. The conference in-cluded a Muslim women's congress held to broaden sup-

ganisers of a recent MILF-backed rally near Cotabato which attracted a million Muslims demanding secesion, agrees that there is

progress. "There is still fighting de-spite the 60-day truce," he

It is premature to say the MNLF has got nothing, Mis-uari should be given another six months to see how his support is holding up on the ground. But the people are demanding Islamic law and an lent state." The Philippine government is confident the peace process will hold. "There's already agreement with the MNLF," a spokesman said.

practising the Nazi art of the Big Lie' He criticises her "complete disdain and lack of interest" in parliament, which he says

she attended only rarely. And be casts doubt on her sincerity after the killing of her brother, Murtaza, by police in Karachi in September. Mr Leghari says Ms Bhutto portrayed herself as rushing to the hospital where her brother died, but she had

gone first to her home in the city before arriving at the

"Such a blatant disavowal of the truth might be all in a day's work for the late Dr Goebbels, but it is tragic to see a person who has twice held the [office of prime min-ister] practising the art of the Ris Lie particular by the late

Big Lie perfected by the late luminary of the Nazi regime." The president calls Ms

Bhutto "brazen", with "pecu-liar beliefs", "not connected to reality" and "unable to understand the concept of an

institutionalised responsibil-ity which transcends per-sonal feelings".

'It is tragic to see a prime minister

hospital two hours later. He says Ms Bhutto at-tempted to "gain political mileage and squeeze the last drop of public sympathy out of this tragedy" Yet her of this tragedy" Yet her "alleged grief and agony did not prevent her from giving

numerous public interviews". He accuses Ms Bhutto of being involved in a cover-up of Murtaza's killing and doing nothing to pursue the killers, who were identifiable". "readily

The president repeats allegations that Ms Bhutto and her family acquired huge properties abroad, including a mansion in Surrey, with illegally obtained money. He says legislative activity was virtually non-existent under her, and that the government

plundered funds set aside for the destitute. Lawyers for Ms Bhutto ar-gue that Mr Leghari lacked proper grounds for removing har. When the previous prime

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Noire Dame University. "Some of them are as young violence is interspersed with they are deemed strong waves of kidnappings to raise funds. enough to handle AK47s ar grenade launchers. The MILF On the streets of Cotabato, Philippine army patrols and checkpoints remain in evidence, while Cobra helicopters line the airport perime-ter. The province's slogan may be "Land of Peace and Tranquillity" — but Cotabato's mayor entrusts his safety to five heavily armed bodyguards. Under the terms of the Spanish conquistadores ar-settlement, the largest rebel rived from Manila in the

States in 1898. The first concessions to the Muslim uprising came in 1976.

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the abuse of power..." When he ousted Ms Bhutto on November 5, Mr Leghari cited allegations that her ad-Her policy for dealing with any



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the remains of the Maoist New People's Army formed to oppose Ferdinand Marcos. Satur Ocampo, a former neeptiator on behalf of the NPA.

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"The MILF may be recruit-ing and training, but they just want to prove they hold a strong hand. They would also

He says hundreds of inquiries were held into the kill-ings, but that no police officer has been prosecuted. The inpresident had to demonstrate a breakdown in the institutions of government.

has been prosecuted. The in-quiries were, he says, a "charade" to "whitewash the crimes of the law enforcers". With the full knowledge of Ms Bhutto, he says, Karachi's mortuaries "were filled with the victims of the ... govern-ment's crimes against 'hu-manity". Her policy for deal-ine with law and order 'which replaced ber is due

manity". Her policy for deal-ing with law and order problems was to "execute them all". Likening Ms Bhutto to the Nucl management for the general election it has promised to hold on Feb-

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Evangelists hiding the truth The Catholic Church is in crisis

CATHOLICISM in England has bizarrely enjoyed something of a honeymoon in the media in recent years. A few high-profile converts, such as the Duchess of Kent, John Gummer and Ann Widdecombe plus a whiff of glamour with rumours of the Princess of Wales and Elizabeth Hurley toying with Rome, have been but-tressed by a hattalion of highly-vocal media Catholics. such as Paul Johnson, Alice Thomas Ellis, Dr William Oddie and Mary Kenny, who never miss an opportunity to trumpet the virtues of Roman Catholicism over what they see as an intellectually and theologically bankrupt Church of England. As Anglicans have struggled with the issue of women priests, and now struggle with homosexuality and a daunting agenda of internal reforms, Roman Catholicism — under the judicious guidance of Cardinal Basil Hume - has benefitted from the spin-off disillusionment. Non-churchgoers are particularly fulsome in their praise. Catholicism matches what they believe a church should be about: authority, uncompromising moral injunctions and guilt.

None of this, of course, has anything more than the most superficial connection with what has been happening in Catholic parish churches all over the country. The pews are emptying - at an accelerating rate: according to the latest edition of the Catholic Directory, 55,000 people left between 1994 and 1995. At the same time, parish priests are disappearing as the numbers of new vocations go into free fall. Those priests who remain with mounting workloads, find themselves caught between two increasingly articu-late lobbies: the traditionalists and the liberais. Both are responses to decline, which is set to halve mass attendance in the next decade. Traditionalists argue that this is down to the episcopacy's heretical liberal tendencies; liberals argue that disillusionment with a patriarchal, authoritarian, outdated institution is alienating a whole generation.

Last weekend, the We Are The Church referendum was launched in the UK after it collected 2.5 million signatures in Germany, Austria and Holland in favour of radical reforms such as a married priesthood, women priests and more democracy. The battlelines in the Catholic Church have been drawn up throughout Europe and North America. These conflicts are being kept on hold by the hierarchy, and are rumbling beneath the surface. But they will not be resolved under the ageing John Paul II and represent a daunting agenda for the next Pope as the

lobby groups grow increasingly well-organised. There are other reasons for Catholicism's decline in this country, which arguably are even further beyond the capacity of the Church to tackle. Being a Catholic has always been as much a way of life as a personal conviction; the parish club and church were at the hub of the Irish immigrant communities who have Here in Lancashire, only a historically formed such a large part of the Catholic generation ago, names had a Church in the UK. No longer. The most dramatic drop in mass attendance has been in those traditional bastions of Irish immigration - Liverpool and lowland Scotland. The former is at the bottom of the diocesan mass attendance league with barely a fifth of baptised Catholics making it to the obligatory Sunday service, while, in Scotland the decline accelerated from one per cent 1984-90 to 13 per cent 1990-94. This is an eloquent reflection of the fragmentation of these communities; geographical and social mobility accompanied by anglicisation are playing their part. Another contributory factor must be a sharp decline in the traditional respect of rank-and-file Catholics for the priesthood. This autumn has seen their prestige hit by two devastating scandals: Bishop Roddy Wright, who ran off with a divorcee, and the conviction of the Durham priest, Adrian McLeish, for abusing four boys and assembling a vast collection of Internet paedophilia. But beyond these explanations, lie questions - for non-believers as much as believers - about the reluctance of individuals in our privatised culture to belong to the institutions which used to frame civil society, be they churches, trade unions or political parties. Society may have become more secular but the Church is not the only institution facing challenges to its authority.

Mr. Major returns in triumph into the welcoming arms of his party ...

HAVE IN MY HAND A PIECE OF TOILET

Letters to the Editor

Ongo and Oli This unhappy union get a life

AFTER 29 years as the butt name, Leslie Dorke, I decided rest of us into the swirling euro rapids (Why we need Europe, December 13). As we attempt to avoid the rocks marked "cutting services and to change it to Ongo Sleeze-hammer (Letters, December 7, 9, 12, 13). My rationale was 'let's see how many cope with something as ludicrous as it Astonishingly, the reaction has been totally positive and, far from finding my new name risible, people are fasci-nated. Most ask me if it is jobs for competitiveness" and "there is no alternative", we are told to clutch at a straw lifebelt emblazoned "employment chapter Alas, the free market reality

is more accurately portrayed by the Institute of Directors. Scandanavian but, even though I explain it is a non-They are clear that "social pol-lcy should be determined by sense name, they still show huge interest. Ongo Sleezehammer. 33 Henley Drive, Highworth, Wilts SN6 7JU. reference to aconomic compet-itiveness rather than outdated concepts of labour market

DEFORE terminating our Denjoyment of exotic names, you might include a Monks is right that our future lies in Europe but wrong about the need to "addouble-barrelled entry. In the just to the euro". Europe's end goals must be changed to pro-tect its own economies, pro-vide its citizens with long-term second world war, I came across one Captain Pine-Coffin, not a name easily lived down, but I hope he did so. G H Mellor. security and set an example for the rest of the world's blocs 17 Wilmot Street, on how to do the same. Colin Hines. Heanor, Derbyshire.

11 Park House Gardens, Twickenham, Middx TW1 2DF, THERE really was an English composer called Oliphant Chuckabutty and he T IS unworthy of a prominent trade unionist to back up his did not live in Knotty Ash. support for a single currency by the factics of fear by stating that

some action might be HE TUC's John Monks euro, then taken by other states against British exports to the single is seeking to drag the trade unions and the market". This is quite simply As long as Britain remains an EU member state, the other members must abide by the pro-

visions on free trade set out in Articles 30-36 of the Treaty of Rome. These rules expressly prohibit any quantitative restrictions on trade within the EU except for closely-defined public policy reasons. Until these articles are changed, this will remain the rule even after the single currency comes in. Walter Cairns. Broomhurst Hall,

836 Wilmslow Road Manchester M20 8RP. OHN Monks ducks the issue of our joining the first stage of a single cur-rency by suggesting a task force to examine the effects on jobs. Has he given any consideration as to membership

of such a body? The effects of a single currency on the British economy is replate with widely differ-ing viewpoints. Contrary to Mr Monks's assertion of the ignorance of the debate, there is a surfait of opposing aca-demic and media output on Chris Jones.

this most contentious matter.

such group to be itself a sub-ject of further dissension. Bill Jackson.

2 William Road West Bridgford, Nottingham NG2 7QD.

BEHIND John Monks's geopolitical rhetoric lies III-disguised, shameless, selfcongratulatory peer-group solidarity. Trust us, he is say-ing, we the bureaucrats, functionaries, bankers, committee members, task-forcers, lobby-ists; give us more power and we will deliver. No evidence is offered; his response to crit-icism is abuse.

Forty years ago, one of the "fathers" of the European Union, Jean Monnet, who never sought any democratic mandate, was given a grilling over his European dreams by Hugh Gaitskell. An annoyed Monnet said, "But you must have faith", to which Gait-skell replied, "J don't believe in faith, I believe in reason, and you betwen't sites me and you haven't given me

any.' It seems that the TUC is no longer interested in reason, only bureaucratic survival, which the comfortable politi-cal culture of Brussels undoubtedly offers.

20 Antonine Gate

How to strengthen some weak links in the food chain YOUR leader (Protect our | and training is the key but we food chain, December 13) | need the legislative tools, the

draws attention to a matter that has been of concern to the Royal Society of Health for some time — the urgent need to separate the interests of the consumers of food prod-Gavin Maxwell. ucts from those of producers, processors and distributors, and the introduction of a

mandatory programme of training and/or certification for food handlers. Food polsoning is the classic example of a wholly pre-ventable disease. We currently run accreditation schemes designed to improve standards in many different parts of the food chain, provide one of the Government's

mandatory training course for meat inspectors, and are collaborating with major companies in the food industry in the development of voluntary standards for the accreditation of, for example, food packaging and transportation.

Vinced us that mandatory cer-tification of food handlers is both practicable and desir-cially burdensome. Education Bath BA1 7AH. Josephine Slater. 15 Bailbrook Lane,

necessary resources and the political will to do it. Chairman of Council The Royal Society of Health. 38a St George's Drive. London SW1V 4BH.

> THE Advisory Committee on Novel Foods should also have free range from the Government, given that the genetically engineered Roundup Ready soya bean (herbicide re-sistant so you can spray it as much as you like) will not be separated from the conven-tionally-grown bean and will be cated in literally bundreds of products. German consumers have

persuaded major food produc-ers, such as Danome, to use the Monsanto genetic bean, so why can't we? According to Prof John Fagan (Just soy stories, Weckend, November 30) it is perfectly feasible to separate the beans. According to the Monsanto Soya Bean Information Centre, it is not, for "economic" reasons.

A poverty audit

Welfare-to-work bridges are not cheap

ROY HATTERSLEY, the self-appointed Keeper of the Labour Conscience, ought to be pleased. His call for more Labour talk about poverty, inequality and homelessness and less about middle-income concerns, such as negative equity, has been answered: the first of a planned series of Labour reports on poverty was published yesterday. This one only looks back to the last general election but paints a grim picture of the rise in Income Support claimants. They now exceed the entire population of Scotland with an astounding 865 new people claiming benefits every working day over the four years ending in February. Facts are important but so are solutions.

Labour is right to insist that the long-term answer must be more subtle than just increasing welfare payments. All three main parties now recite the latest social security mantra: moving from welfare to work. And rightly so. We do need less dependency. It is wrong to consign such huge numbers to a benefits scraphean. We should have better bridges between welfare and work. Even the Tories have been ready to steal some ideas from Labour's National Commission on Social Justice introducing incentives to employers to take on long-term unemployed people and new in-work benefits to persuade the unemployed to take up work. Family credit, designed to help children in low-paid families, has now become available to childless couples and single people.

Labour has prepared separate programmes for 18 to 25-year-olds and the long-term unemployed. Important improvements on current government schemes are the emphasis on education and training, which research shows is the key to obtaining and holding on to work. and the aim of offering socially useful jobs (home insulation, social care) rather than mere make-work. Pilot studies in Glasgow have demonstrated the feasibility of this last ambition. As the Scandinavians and Australians have demonstrated, welfare-to-work works but is not a cheap option. Meaningful work requires genuine investment. It must also not be an excuse for ignoring urgently needed social security reforms.

Mildred Ackers and Minnie Jelly were real. Harry Dixon.

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Old recipe

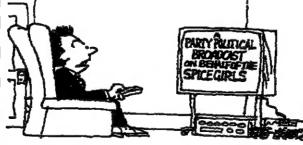
GIVEN the public disenminster politicians (Leader, December 12), may I suggest two remedies from practices in the ancient world to palliate faults in the system.

In Sparta, a panel of five ephors was elected to oversee the constitutional and per-

sonal behaviour of the kings and other office-hearers. Why should we not elect a similar body, extraneous to Parlia-ment, to oversee the behavour of MPs?

meritocratic aspiration" (Meet John Major's last hope, December 13)? I thought "zi-In Rome, the evidence of slaves was admissible in gazigah" was a reference to getting laid.

staves was admissible in court only if it had been ob-tained under torture. Wouldn't it be nice to have Aitken. Hamilton, Walde-grave, Willetts, et al. literally "grilled" about their conduct. Charles Blakely. Perhaps their latest single. Two Become One is a coded plea on Major's behalf for Tory unity over Europe. Chris Crowe. 11 Braidwood Road, Kilwinning, Ayrshire KA13 7AL. Girton College, Cambridge CB3 0JG.



Party girls

AM I alone in my confusion over the claim that the Spice Girls' No 1 hit Wannabe is an "anthem to Thatcherite Absolutely not. recommend the use of such phrases as "Get 'em out for

> aughty bit like?" are admirers. John Baker. 6 Bayswater Road, Bristol BS7 0BN.

Sthat Michael Portilio is a secret fan of the Spice Girls? The Spice Girls are self-con-fessed good-time girls, who freely advise on how to party. Geri has appeared topless in the Sun and, collectively, they

the lasses", "Jiggling your assets" and "What's your No wonder Tory ministers

Birmingham B24 9JL.

A Country Diary

Children in need hundred years ago, it was common in December to see

DESPITE many desirable bechanges in fostering (Let-ters, December 14), there has been a real growth in multiple their turkeys on foot to the London markets like Smith-field. Last century, however, placements with children from different families being technology began to intervene in that seasonal ritual. The birds, as many as seven tonnes of them and already placed together. In many ways, a small children's home has been created but the carrough plucked, were trans ported by steam engines. ers do not have the same resources to cope. One result is that the more "difficult" which made the round trip to London in only seven days. Following the war, the busichild is moved to yet another

If a private or voluntary foe-If a private or voluntary los-tering agency has approved the carers, this may mean that they are caring for children from several, different local authorities, at times many miles from their home area. This has real implications for continuing contact with parents, siblings, and even eventual return home. An additional concern is the impact of the high turnover of social workers upon these children. Vincent Johnson. 8 Orchard Road, Erdington,

THUXTON, NORFOLK: Two | glossy black plumages, full wattles and caruncles flushed a deep red. A good stag, as Norfolk poulterers driving he's known, can be over 20ibs, which seems a mere chick compared with the turkeys reared under factory-farm conditions. While they're unable to fly or to breed naturally, indeed barely able to move, these monsters can reach 70lbs.

Yet the differences are not only size, health and mobility. At Thuston, for instance, there are no regular doses of antibiotics. The birds never ness changed out of all recog-nition. Gone were the slow have their beaks hacked journeys to the capital. Gone down to a blunt scoop capable only of shovelling up the feed. indeed were most of the birds that created the industry in Nor do animal proteins (such as the remains of old turkey carcasses) find their way back into the food trays. All the first place — the beautiful Norfolk Black and Bronze turkeys - although at Rookery Farm, at Thurston, one is still permitted a glimpse of the old practices. The owners have been rearing turkeys for gen-erations and retain some of the oldest genetic stock in Britain, which closely resem-bles the mild Angeleration they eat at Thuxton are beans and corn grown specifically for them on the farm. There is one final, key difference between a factory bird and an organically reared, free-range turkey, but this is something you'd only discover during Christmas lunch itself. bles the wild American species. These are tall, broad-chested birds with rich, MARK COCKER

Rifkind's last stand on the old frontier

Europe — I have regarded him as pedantically deter-mined to set out whatever Endpiece

case he favoured at the time Roy Hattersley *****************

Speaking in last week's European de-bate, Foreign Secre-tary Malcolm Rifkind could not have been more categoric about one aspect of his party's policy. "We have not the slightest intention," he said, "of conceding one inch in regard to the right of this Government and this Parlia-ment to control frontiers." He then went on to justify the ro-bust defence of what he, no doubt, described as British sovereignty — a word de-signed to attract the less cerebral members of his party. Other European countries can, he explained, prevent lllegal immigration by the use of identity cards, resident per-mits and registration with the police. But "for an island", common travel area") are frontier controls "are the best and least intrusive way" of Foreign Secretary's arguachieving the same objective.

with a deliberate demonstra-tion of the logical method which guided his thought. Why then, I wonder, did he explain his attitude on border control in a way which barely chande a moment's analysis? stands a moment's analysis? The reference to an island, I understand. It was con-sciously included for the benefit of Tory backbenchers who knew that John of Gaunt spoke of a "jewel set in the silver sea", but did not understand that the description preceded a denunciation of the way in which the Royal Throne of Kings had de-clined, Subconsciously, Rifkind was probably conced-

ing that his position was based on insularity not reason. For whilst the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland ("For these purposes ... a single island with a

ment did not hold it. achieving the same objective. He either forgot or ignored while immigration officials that her Britannic Majesty's yard — adding that they pre-start working for me in the that the European Union confirm that they were not secretary of State requests for the imperial measure to will not begin to learn will allowed into the Union by the and requires the bearer to be its continental alternative.

them", we must assume that they are successful in exclud-ing or apprehending illegal immigrants. And if (let us say) France, is able to ex-clude foreign nationals with no right to entry or settle-ment, there is no danger of such undesirables popping under the Channel on the Shuttle - unless we suspect that the French are forcing, encouraging or allowing them to come to Britain. And not even Teddy Taylor has accused the Frogs of any-thing as dastardly as that. As long as member nations are, in their different ways, operating adequate immigration control, no one country has anything to lose by clos-ing the border posts which tional commitment to insisting that passengers on planes from Frankfurt, Brussels and Copenhagen, stand in long

other European countries have immigration laws which it would be embarrassing to compare with ours. If one of my constituents goes to work in Spain or Luxembourg, his world wars. ing the countries which capit-ulated, or were defeated, show their own inadequate al-Kashmeri wife (as a spouse of a Union citizen) has an automatic right to join him. If the same man stays in Birming-ham, his wife will only be allowed into Britain if the show their own inacequate at-ternatives when they arrive at our borders. It is one of the few powers over them which we have left. No wonder Malcouple pass a series of arcane rules which are designed to ensure that they fail. Think of colm Rifkind invented an init, a British citizen with rights abroad which he does not enjoy at home. It is as if the minds of his backbenchers. we had gone to war because the Spaniards refused to cut off Jenkins's car.

the Union. So what is the reat reason for Britain's emo-tional commitment to the communication system The implicit racism behind often trying to make his position more respectable by say-ing that his nervous relucsurdity. Border controls are thought by the Little Englandtance to be a real European is ers to be an essential manifesshared by the Danes, Every tation of nationhood. The passport (with the assertion that her Britannic Majesty's time he gives them a centi-

regulates movement between incompetence or malice of afforded protection) may have Yet if he — and the ministers been reduced in size, coloured who support him — were been reduced in size, coloured brave have the been reduced in size, coloured brave brave enough to argue the the wrong end. But it still real case for integration the wrong end. But it still bears the royal cypher - the Tate & Lyles which our warreal case for integration, their public esteem and gen-eral credibility will be imrants officers wore on their mensely increased even in sleeves when we won two this tight-little, right-little

So we intend to go on mak-Two hundred years ago, an English admiral could boast about the French, "I do not say they will not come. I only say they will not come by sea". I spent eight years of Punch lunches sitting under a cartoon of Winston Chur-chill looking out from the White cliffs of Destar and fall genuous explanation rather than endorse the nonsense in white cliffs of Dover and tell-ing the world. "Very well, then. Alone." I think that I am at least as moved by those

Encouraging the Euro- memories as is any member phobes in their prejudices will do this frightened govof the Tory Bruges group. But as Churchill also said. even though the dogs bark, ernment no good in the end. Time after time, John Major has paid the Danegeld the caravan moves on.

Opposing the creation of a single internal frontier is no more consistent with the spirit of Europe than standing out against a common external tariff. Until John Major and Malcolm Rifkind have the courage to say so, half of their backbeachers will not begin to learn what

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Bamyan Diary

Jonathan Steele

WE had to build our own bridge on the road to Bamyan, or at least repair the shaky pontoon affair we encountered over one strip of white water rapids. A section of surface had dropped into the foam, and it took half-an hour of lugging and heaving to find stones big enough to mesh across the gap. Even Amir Shah (King of

Kings), Kabul's best taxidriver, had had qualms about taking his ancient ye low Toyota into the Hindu Kush where high-axle offroaders often hesitate to tread. At the sight of the holey pontoon he almost turned back. Our uncertain repair job produced no busi of confidence. But in the end the same ethnic madness which we had mercilessly used to get him to start got him to continue the two-cay

He is a Hazara, one of 4fehanistan's smaller mintr itles, and when we expres a wish to penetrate his ances tral mountain fastnesss be could not resist. What fired us there was something often touted but rarely seen.Soviet of civil war made it virtually mreachable.until this year.

On a high plateau amilewide sandstone cliff rises from the valley floor. Its lower part is pock-marked with caves, scooped out of the soft surface, looking from a distance as though a folley of cannon balls has been fired into the wall. At eachend the eye is drawn to a more im-pressive target, a bug niche containing a giant stine of the Buddha the bit the Buddha, the biggr one of the two rising 180 fed. The Colossal Buddhas of lamyan never fail to stun thos with the luck to see them. I the hippie years the mored ven-turous trekkers from jurope to India made the ardpus de tour. Before that, no cliection of snapshots from he British Raj was comple without one of a fellow squinting into the sun form under a pith-helmet wh one of the Buddhas loomin behind him.

HE BUDDHAS we carved in the 2nd entury AD at the col mand of Kanishka, rule of the Kushan empire with beld sway from the Gage the Gobi Desert. In its idian homeland Buddhism id given way to Hinduisn but Kanishka found the phosophy attractive. Hestin moned a council of Budhist leaders to Kashmr where they authorised tie nw school of Mahayaa fudich dranafcally humanised the cilt. Buddhist art pevijusly concentrated on ynpols such as a wheel, fot print. or an empty three, to the man yana art the Budhy was shown in huma form. Bud-dhism was no lagar just a way of life but te torship of an ideal personl'he Colossal Buddhas of Bayan were the amificent acertisement of this new culln their heyday they becar a centre of pilgrimage, at the cliff with its caves was esite of scores of small Buddhas. Now they are pale shadow.

How to keep the new right out in the cold

Commentary

John Gray

************************* accept the necessity for elec-toral reform. LABOUR landslide at A the coming election is no longer a remote possibility. Since the events of the past two weeks Anyone who thinks they know what the Tories will be like in opposition has not understood how much they have changed. The Conserva-tive party is not now the pur-poseful coalition guided by an instinctual grip on power of which historians have writ-ten it is a chack of factions it has become a likelihood. In a few months the electorate will choose between a leader-less party that seems to have become ungovernable, and an Opposition which is led by Tony Blair as if it were al-ready in government. In a country that looks for unity ten. It is a chaos of factions and rancorous groupuscules. To speculate on who will lead this rag-tag army after the election is pointless. There and purpose in its ruling party, the outcome can be in little doubt. are too many uncertainties How will the forces of the Yet there are risks in a mas-Tory right that are presently divided into Portillo and Redsive Labour victory that

result partly from the Tories' present divisions. Labour will come to power in a time of bigh-stakes politics not un-like the early 90s. Britain's relations with Europe will set the terms of competition be-tween the parties for a decade. On the European ques-tion, as on Scottish devolution, Labour has no margin of affordable error. A false move on either issue could reunify the Tories and return

wood factions align them-selves? How drastically will the dwindling faction led by Kenneth Clarke be further reduced in the coming elec-toral cull of Tory moderates? Will Malcolm Rifkind — the most formidable of the potential leaders who can presently be identified - survive his small majority to be a con-

tender? Such questions are unanswerable. In a context of such uncerditional Member System of

a second-generation That-cherite party to power. | granted that the Tories in opposition will remain the bal-kanised party they are today. It is just as likely that the shock of defeat and the elec-toral potential of the Euro-To control this risk Labour needs to plan now for two terms of government. It needs to lay the ground for the gen-eral election it will have to fight in 2002. In a situation in which a resurgent Thatcher-ite party could yet undo pean question will work to unify them. Whatever hap pens they will releatleasly opeverything that it stands for. New Labour will soon have to pose Scottish devolution and reform of the House of Lords. They will seize on any reverses in the economy to

turn against Labour the new politics of job insecurity on which it was elected. Above all, they will work to sabotag any constructive engagement with Europe. In the normal fortunes of political life they are bound to have some SUCCE The risks of a Thatcherite

Tory party returning to power are magnified by our current electoral arrangements. The effect of the first-past-the-post system is to fragment the majority of voters that shares liberal and social democratic values. The chance of any new-right party coming to power again would be alight if this underlying progressive majority were fairly represented. Public de-bate on electoral reform in Britain has been hindered by the belief that the only alter-nation in the status one is native to the status quo is some form of proportional representation. The uncertain outcome of the recent New Zealand election under an Ad-

toral reform recommended the adoption of the Supple-mentary Vote (SV) for elections to the House of Consmons. SV was invented by Labour MP Dale Campbell-Savours to remedy problems associated with the Alterna-tive Vote (AV). Under AV. voters rank candidates in order of preference. If no candidate has a majority of first choices the candidate with fewest votes drops out - a procedure that is repeated until one candidate has more than 50 percent of the votes. AV guarantees that whoever is elected will have a majority of votes cast. But by giving as much weight to voters' weak

> It is folly to take for granted that the Tories will

remain the balkanised party they are today

ences as it does to their first and second choices AV could work to elect the candidate who is merely the least unpopular. The Supplementary Vote remedies this defect of AV by asking voters only if they have a second choics that matters strongly to them. AV and SV are forms of preference voting that pre-serve what has worked well. in our present arrangements They retain single-member constituencies. Unlike the

PR is already being cited as not create different categories an argument against reform. Yet our first-past-the-post sys-tem can be reformed to an franchise the centre ground without risking the uncer transform and the system for means to the House of Source of the system for means to the House of Source of the system for means to the House of Source of the system for means to the House of Source of the system for means to the House of Source of the system for elections to the House of Source of the system for elections to the House of Source of the system for elections to the House of Source of the system for elections to the House of Source of the system for elections to the House of Source of the system for elections to the House of Source of the system for elections to the House of Source of the system for elections to the House of Source of the system for elections to the House of Source of the system for elections to the system for e tainties that PR can bring. In 1993 the Report of Lord Plant's Commission on elecminority Labour government

who insist that only propor-tional representation is truly representative. Yet both AV and SV woold represent the electorate far more fairly than the first-past-the-post system under which four sive Tory govern have been elected on a minor ity of the vote. In present chr-cumstances the Tories could hope to return to power only by resisting and marginalis-ing their increasingly domithird and subsequent prefernant Thatcherite faction

Either AV or SV could admin-ister the coup de grace that forces the Tories to split in opposition. A Blair government will

tus of 18 years of new-right rule. There cannot be a new, phuralist political settlement in Britain unless the new right is excluded permanently from government. Tony Blair has reaffirmed Labour's commitment to a referendum on electoral reform and authorised Robin Cook to hold ongoing conversations with the Liberal Democrats. Old hands will say that if Labour achieves a landslide or a de-

cent working majority all talk of changing the voting system will be forgotten. Will the old hands be proved wrong this time? John Gray is Professor of

Politics at Oxford. His most recent book is Enlig ment's Wake (Routledge) New Zealand system, they do

John L Lahey explains why he will use the St Patrick's Day parade in New York to highlight Britain's culpability in the Irish famine that led to mass death and emigration.

A hunger for justice

HE 1997 New York City St Patrick's Day Parade marks the 150th anniversary of the Great Irish Hunger — the potato famine — which killed 1.5 million people and forced another 2.5 million to leave Ireland for America, England, Canada and elsewhere. The worst year of this five-year failure of the potato crop was 1847 - Black '47. This Great

Hunger was more than a ter-

rible natural disaster, it was also a human-rights violation by the British government,

part of Britain's 700-year op-pression of the Irish people.

Britain conquered Ireland by force and controlled the

ountry by force. In the 16th

and 17th centuries, the Brit-

ish settled Protestants from

Scotland and England, partic-

ularly in North-eastern Ire-

land (Ulster). Irish people in large numbers were driven off their land, which was sub-

sequently given to Scottish and English Protestants as an

inducement to move to

The native Irish Catholic

easants were sent to rocky, lesolate areas in the west of

ireland (Connaught), land

suitable only for the potato. As Oliver Cromwell told the

native Irish Catholics in 1650: You can go to Connaught or

you can go to hell," meaning death if they did not surren-

der their land. Subsequently, after 1690, England enacted a

series of brutal penal laws which deprived Irish Catho-

lics of civil and human rights,

gion. Ireland's Gaelic lan-

guage had earlier been out-

ment, making all of Ireland a

of Ireland by England.



ing of this bill not by dealing with the facts of history, but instead by attacking Governor Pataki for allegedly pander-ing to Irish-American votars and for claiming inaccurately that he had likened the famine to the Holocaust. A similar response was inaccurately attributed to my remarks about the Great Hunger. The term Holocaust has been used almost exclusively to describe the conscious and concerted

colic due to kidney infection - "one of the most severe

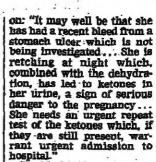
COMMENT AND ANALYSIS 9 God moves in a

for elections to the House of Commons could transform British politics. Under AV, on any likely scenario, the Lib-eral Democrats would have gained around 25 extra seats in the 1992 general election. Labour's total would have been unaltered, producing a minority Labour government way in court These systems of preference

Paul Foot

A Home Office Minister, is a doughty champion of the rights of the unborn child, but how do unborn children get on in the prisons children get on in the prisons for which she is responsible? Last Friday I rang the Home Office with a couple of ques-tions about Roisin McAlis-key, who comes from a well-known republican family in the North of Ireland. She is 18 works prefugate and in need at least two terms in which to clear away the detriweeks pregnant and is remanded in prison awaiting. proceedings for extradition to Germany on bombing charges. First, why, the pre-vions week, had Rolsin been transferred to Belmarsh prison, where the inmates are all male? Secondly, what sort of medical treatment had she had there? I reproduce the full reply. "The simple answer why she was held in Belmarsh is 'for security reasons'. While she was at Belmarsh she was receiving

regular medical attention. On December 5 she was taken to



Would she abscond if she was granted ball? Mr Bartle was handed a sheaf of letters from people of high standing. NN WIDDECOMBE, in Northern Ireland and in Britain who knew the McAliskey family. The former headmistress of St Patricks school, Dungannon, where Roisin studied for most of the Rolain studien for most of mis-1980s, described her former pupil's long "battle against consistently recurring poor health all her life". "It was," she wrote, "a daily struggle for her to at-tend school at all." The letter

ended with an assurance that "Roisin's word is her bond", and gave a "personal guaran-tee that any undertaking she gave would be honoured". To many such letters were added a completely clean criminal record and £200,000 of sureties from prominent people in Britain and in Ireland, Moreover, the papers from Ger-many setting out the reasons for her extradition were woe-fully inadequate.

l local hospital where she Mr Bartle, JP, was rather had a scan and a full examiworried about Roisin's health care but concluded it was his nation by a consultant obste trician — a precaution following stomach pains, The obstetrician confirmed that Miss McAlishey was in good general health, that her preg-"duty" to keep her banged up in Holloway, where at night her cell door cannot be opened even from the outside until security staff arrive in nancy was progressing nor-mally and there was no cause the morning. Mr Bartle's concept of duty, like Ann Widde-combe's, derives from On High. In his book, The Law

for concern." While the Home Office was telling me this, Roisin McA-And The Lawless, he wrote: liskey's solicitor Gareth "All authority, the scriptures Pierce was imploring London stipendiary magistrate Ron-ald Bartle to let her client out tell us, is from God, and I am in a position to exercise it justly.

on bail. Mr Bartle was handed a long report by a doctor who had examined Roisin McAliskey in Holl-oway on December 6. She had he unperted compliance The only good news is that Mr Bartle may not be sitting when the case returns to court this week, so there remains a small hope that the had, he reported, complained of severe pains in the groin, bail decision will be taken by someone who is not acting but had not been visited by directly on behalf of the Almighty, and may even be sus-ceptible to ordinary common anyone for over an hour. The provisional disgnosis of such pains, he said, were renal compassion.

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ORTUNTELY, the dreadefaliban with their brds, turbans, and hostilito all graven images havnot yet got to Barnyan. B the Buddhas are not out danger. An ammittion dump is stored behd the biggest Buddha's 35. and more than 100 Izara families who have fled om fighting elsewhere ar amping in the caves. Thricher ones have bricked I the front, and put in doors indows, and stoves triake a home. The and for practical purpose outlawed the Catholic rel poorer ske do with a screep of sackit.

Life the stone-age is better thanone at all," a young womavith a baby and two other sall children told us. She hasscaped the shelling of Kab some months ago. Her mher came up, and al-thougshe held a veil over the loer part of her face, we saw trs quietly fall as ber dauger explained how the (ami kept going. They climlown the cliff-face to fetchater in the morning, was:lothes and spread therm the ground to dry, andake bread in a small hor-made oven.

'I Hazara leaders plan to rere tourism by, among oth things, improving the smil airport the Russians but. Removing the refugees w then become a necessity. O can only hope that some delopment money is spent o hem, lest they are left aaceless as the wondrous stues which tower in their



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TINGERS IS A EUROSCEPTIC.

films in the world market does not do this beritage justice. Over the past 10 years, European films have lost

the establishment of an half of the European film audio-visual guarantee market, mostly to US movies. The industry's fund, a market-oriented mechanism essential to the future of a dynamic and trade deficit with the US now stands at around 5 billion ecus a year (it was 2 self-financing European cinema. European culture ministers will be meeting billion ecus in 1989). In in Brussels today to discuss the creation of such a fund. Germany, the market share of national films has fallen They should: it will make it from 17 per cent in 1989 to ust 7 per cent in 1993. easier for film companies to from TV networks, it was on its own feet is the best European films currently raise money from banks granted tax concessions. policy for governments. just 7 per cent in 1993.

small share of European



and finaucial institutions

It will offer backers guar-antees on loans.

Today the Hollywood ma-

jors have established a sys-

tem that ensures continu

ous production while

reducing risk. They invest in slates of films (instead of

one-off projects as is too

often the case in Europe) and, crucially, they control their own distribution.

Their productions feed seamlessly into their distri-

bution networks. Their

large quantity of output al-lows the studios to use prof-

its from successful films to

more than cover losses on

The US film industry has

always obtained priority attention from its govern-

ment. In the 1970s, when it

was suffering competition

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lawed, Finally, in 1800, the Act of Union was passed, eliminating the Irish Parliastrophic. During these years, however, Ireland produced ample food that could have that killed the potato crop. But Great Britain, the wealth-iest and most powerful country in the world at that time, did allow 1.5 million British colony, part of the United Kingdom, and com-pleting the total domination been used to reduce substan tially the number of Irish who starved to death. Indeed, the Irish men, women and chil-dren to die of starvation in a British government in control With the Irish thus reduced of Ireland chose to export this country they controlled, while substantial food supabundant food supply to Eng-land and other countries. The to dependency upon a single - the potato - Its failplies were shipped out of Ire British were certainly not responsible for the fungus land to Englar ure from a fungus during the The New York State Legisyears 1845 to 1850 was cata-

Scenario for survival

Michael Kuhn urges culture ministers

tage in the world of of the US market. the cinema, but the With supportive

meeting in Brussels today to back a plan that

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With supportive govern

ments, there is no reason why European cinema can-

not become a competitive force on the world market.

One such support would be

could dramatically save European cinema

lature and Governor Georg Pataki should be commended for adding Ireland's Great Hunger to the human rights curriculum taught to all school children in New York. Surely no one can be against education and the teaching of the facts of history in our schools. It is disappointing, however, that the British Em-

> Today it can count on polit- | Without measures to enical support to ensure it gets market access all over the globe. Unfortunately, Europe still fails to realise the sig-APRIL DO European compa nies to invest in slates of films, a proper European

> distribution network, so crucial to sustained success nificance of audio-visual productions in industrial in the film industry, is not viable as well as cultural terms. It is not a opestion of

> making European cinema a clone of Hollywood; at Cinema is still considered a fragile and precious art form which can only surstake is its identity and vive on the back of subsieven existence. The plurality of <u>Ruropean</u> cinema will dies and protectionist mea sures. Yet a cottage only be safe if European industry cannot compete in companies can compete on equal terms with their in-ternational rivals in the today's interdependent global economy. global market. To suggest that any such policies en-DRALLY, film-makers should be able to rely on danger cinema d'auteur financing from compa-nies specialising in the shows a complete misconception of the way the

> management of art, which understand the production entertainment business works: It is much more likely to flourish on the back of a healthy film and distribution process and which are ready to export their products beyond their country of origin. The industry.

creation of incentives for Michael Kuhn is president of an industry that can stand on its own feet is the best Polygram Filmed Entertainment and a member of the Europeen Film Companies Alijance

government policy of Nazi Germany to exterminate six million Jews, and this term in my view should not be used to He concluded: "A general practitioner like myself faced with a request for a visit of a woman 17 weeks pregnant with abdominal pain would describe any other human rights violation. The Holo-caust was very different in face being struck off the med-ical register for refusing to nature and magnitude from Ireland's Great Hunger, and no comparison of the two should be made. visit for over an hour." The doctor found her "still dehydrated" from lack of water at Selmarsh.

I believe, however, that when all the facts are known about England's conquest in Ireland between 1500 and 1845 as well as the actions of the British Government during the years 1845 and 1850, any dispassionate, objective ob-server would conclude that the British government bears at least some responsibility

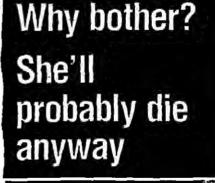
for the death by starvation of 1.5 million Irish men, women and children. It is never too late to edu-

cate people about the terrible human-rights violations that have occurred throughout history. It is my hope that a better understanding of the historical events leading up to and during the Great Hunger will reduce the chances of other human rights violations in the future. I also believe that understanding this period of Ireland's history will help put in fuller context and better perspective the current struggles in North-eastern Ireland, and hopefully attence the freque per advance the fragile peace pro-cess that we all hope will result in a just and lasting

peace accord Dr John Lahey is president of Quinniplac College in Hamden Connecticut, US, and the Grand Marshal for the 1997 St Patrick's bassy responded to the sign- Day Parade in New York City

hope, I renew my plea, first published 10 years ago, for Christmas cards to the three men wrongly convicted of the murder of newspaper boy Carl Bridgewater. They have been in prison since Christmas 1978. Their case goes once again to the Court of Appeal in April, but they

need your good cheer and solidarity. Jimmy Robinson is in Whitshill prison near March in Cambridgesbire, He was, he said, "very concerned" that Miss McAliskey had had no ante-natal check-Vincent Hickey in Full Sut-ton, near York, and Michael up. The brief scan and examination at Greenwich hospital on December 5, which lasted five minutes, "was not a full Hickey is at Gartree, near Market Harborough, Leicasante-natal review". He went





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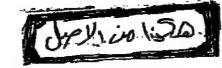
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On the way up . . . Moverley (centre), then auxiliary Bishop of Leeds, and Basil Hume attend Mass at York racecourse

The Right Reverend Gerald Moverley

A pragmatic sense of faith

verley, who has died aged 74 within six months of retiring due to ill health from his South Yorkshire and Midlands Catholic diocese of Hallam, was a gentle, pastoral figure who made national headlines when he encountered the bit-

ter enmities of Northern Ireland. He took the pragmatic decision to refuse to allow Mass to be said in the Wakefield prison cell of IRA hunger-striker Frank Stagg in 1976.

Moverley ruled that "there was no pastoral necessity" for Mass to be said in the cell aware of the powerful politi-cal forces which were intent where Stagg, who was 34, was serving a sentence for con-spiring with others — includon turning a solemn religious ritual into a propaganda ing a Catholic priest - to

bomb Coventry. The hunger striker's family protested that he was near death, after Rt Rev Dr Gerald Moverley was auxiliary bishop at the time in Leeds, a city with a 50 days without food, and large but very well-integrated could no longer get to the

which for years had provided responsible and imaginative leaders of civic life. ley's appointment four years He encountered little local later as the first Bishop of Hallam, a new diocese creopposition to his decision that Stagg, the former com-mander of an IRA unit in ated from most of South Yorkshire with parts of Derby-shire and Nottinghamshire, Coventry, was the author of his own situation in Wakesignified Papal approval of his firm stand. The episode also gained him lasting respect among fellow clergy. particularly in view of his mild and scholarly nature. field maximum security jail and that his use of a bunger strike to bring pressure to bear on the authorities was Gerald Moverley was born in Bradford, West Yorkshire,

the eldest of five children, and was educated at the city's St Bede's Grammar School. He sensed his vocation in his teens and trained for the priesthood at Ushaw College. Durham, before ordination in St Anne's Cathedral, Leeds, in 1946. He was marked down early

lam followed in 1980. Dr Mo-ISHOP Gerald Mo- Catholic Irish community prison chapel. Ten days after for a distinguished career. verley, who has which for years had provided the refusal, on February 12, serving for five years as bish-died aged 74 responsible and imaginative 1976, Stagg died. Dr Mover op's secretary in Leeds and am topower in 1960. Dr and verley's 16 years in the joh were largely uneventful al-though he bore the grief of Hillsborough, which included serving for five years as bish-op's secretary in Leeds and studying in Rome for a doctorate in canon law. His close affinity with

Yorkshire continued throughout the 1950s, when he returned to Leeds as sucne renime to Leeds as suc-cessively a curate, bishop's secretary for a further one-year term and parish priest for eight years. He also spent four years on the staff of the with relatives. The bishop was also a thoughtful and experienced adviser to many local parish priests whose congregations were devastated, and in some city's St Anne's Cathedral cases divided, by the fiercelyand acted as chancellor of the diocese.

fought miners' dispute and the subsequent collapse of most of the region's coal It would have been surprising, with this record, if he had not become auxiliary bishop of Leeds when the post industry. He also found time to give his legal expertise to the church's Justice and Peace became vacant in 1968. He proved a highly successful administrator with a quiet but popular appeal to was president of the Canon congregations. The full bishopric of Hal-He served on the council of

sheffield University from 185 to his death. Tributes ysterday were led by the abst Rev Parrick Kelly, Arch-bishop of Liverpool, who had worked closely with br Mo-vieley. He said: "I will always repember the bishop with gratitude for his gentie wis-des, his unassuming dedicathe nervous collapse of a tal-ented local priest who had worked ceaselessly both at the disaster and afterwards and constant support to tio

s his brother bishops." "In Rt Rev David Konstant Bislop of Leeds, described Dr Moverley as a "mourned and admired colleague" who would be much missed. A surresport to Bishop Moverley in Hillant, following his resignation, has yet to be appointed.

Martin Walnwright Commission for 10 years and The Fight Formond Gerald Moverley, riest, born April 9, 1922. died Di mber 15, 1996

A B Hargreaves

Peak performances and sharp opinions

climbing's heroic age in the 1930s, the person-ality of AB Har-greaves, who has died aged 92, thrusts out with as vigorous a claim on our attention as those of the great leaders in whose revolutionary activities on Welsh or Cumbrian cliffs

he was involved. AB was a native of Blackburn and trained as an engineer there, but he then studied accountancy in Liver-pool. There in 1927 he joined the Wayfarers' Club and was introduced to Snowdonia. Despite his short stature — a nade over five feet tall — he had a muscular agility and forthright aggression which soon brought him to prominence.

The best climbers of the time were associated with the Welsh-based Climbers' Club, the most promising amongst them a gangling, awkward teenager, Colin Kirkus, then a a Liverpool insurance clerk. He and AB joined forces. for his elective role. Other people in the Climbers Club, A B recalled, seemed to think that the two men were

ROM British rock- | low, and finally came to rest | repeat ascents of extraordiwedged in a crack just above the scree after falling over 70 nary new climbs. And on the ferocious sandstone outcrop of Helsby near Chester, he had feet, his sole injury a broken

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toe. A B was not so lucky. The hemp line by which he himself been instrumental in forcing the technical pace. But arrested Kirkus's fall had torn in 1931 he moved to the Lake and burnt his hands to the District as a company secretary and stayed there until his retirement. The Lake District bone, his nose was broken as the shock of holding the rope then was a climbing backwa-ter, the most significant explopulled him into the crag. But he still managed to joke stoi-cally with his fallen leader ration taking place primarily in Wales. Although A B's down at the doctor's surgery climbing became more spo-radic by the end of the 1930s, in Coniston as his burns were bathed in carbolic acid and scrubbed with a toothbrush. his contact with the moun-Kirkus was certainly appre-ciative of A B's skill and ingetaineering community remained intact. He was gregarious, combative, and loved to involve himself in the clubs nuity. He paid elliptical tribute to this when, in his joyful book Let's Go Climbing he he had joined in the 1920s.

I first remember him 25 or wrote: "A belay to (A B) is an engineering problem, not to be used until it is as perfect as coloured little man in a crickpossible. He delights in coneting sweater roundly beratstructing safe anchorages in ing my generation for wishing to grant to women - he bel-lowed the word with the loudthe most appalling situations." Structural integrity, est disapprobation — admis-sion not only to membership risk, profit and loss — A B, the engineer turned-accountant had had the perfect training of the then all-male Climbers Club, but also to their huts.

Based in Liverpool A B had His resistance, as I recall been involved in the consoli- based not only on our un dation of the advances made] ng but also on the in rock-climbing through that if women were pro

then a chap might be inhibited | in stripping off and showering when down from a vigorous day on the hill. When I voiced my disbelief to Jack Longland, he chortled, and told me that he would talk the "horrible lin-tle would talk the a did

tion. Exceptionally modest and self-effacing, he hated praise being bestowed on him but lavished it on friends, on the fine climbers who had put well-founded trust in him. He was a difficult and cantankerous character who had an odd genius for friendship, and a range of tastes which included opera and politics. He was sharp, challenging company. My abiding memory of him is of a frail, blind and tiny man of 90 or so crossing a wet Ulverston street in a wild blast of wind which came tum-bling off the fells. He treters, coat flailing, then hurls himself forward on his two sticks, jabbing across the asphalt towards his lunchtime pub with as flerce a resolution as any ice-axed mountaineer ever summoned. He bore years of infirmity with unflag-ging courage — all that anima-tion, all that spirit only quenched when every physi-cal resource had failed him. And he recorded and recalled

magnanimity. Jim Perrin

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Faron Young The singing he would talk the "horrible in-the man" round. And he did, the "horrible little man" not really fitting the description et all.

ARON YOUNG, who mellow - some would say has committed suicide aged 64, apparently in bland - crooning approach. In 1961 he boosted the song-writing career of the young Willie Nelson with a record-ing of his composition *Hello* Walls which not only topped a state of depression about his poor health, was one of the generation of American country singers who entered the 1950s as legathe country chart but broke tees of the honky tonk sound of Hank Williams. Dark and into the pop top 20. His reli-able run of hits was undissaturnine, with the look of a turbed by his move to a new Southern Basil Rathbone, he record label. Mercury, in 1963. While he supplied his old

made his name not only as an estremely bankable record-ing artist but as a pillar of the country music business fans with Walk Tall (another of his own songs) and I Guess community. Had Too Much To Dream Born in Shreveport, Louisi-ana, Young started playing guitar and singing in his early teens. In 1950 he joined the cast of KWKH's Louisiana Last Night, he set about creat-ing new ones through frequent tours outside the United States. His 1972 record It's Four In The Morning was a huge hit in the US and Europe and was Hayride, then the South's

most important country music radio showcase after Nashville's Grand Ole Opry, to which he graduated a few voted the year's best single by the Country Music Association of Great Britain. His last substantial success was in 1974 with Some Kind Of years later. Signed in 1951 to Capitol Records, during the 1950s, he was seldom without a hit re-

Like many of his generation Young reached 50 in the cord such as Goin' Steady (his own composition), Live Fast, unfestive ambience of falling



Faron Young ... a pillar of the county music business community, hitmaker and writer of alk Tall

the 1950s, B-feature Westerns | ager Bly Jeaton and singer such as Hidden Guns, which | Billy Tanmer, and a pubgave him his sobriquet "the Singing Sheriff", or country lishin company, Vandore Music, p hindle his own and music exploitation vehicles such as Country Music Holiothers habrial. Mostlatingly, he pubday and Nashville Rebel. Later he was familier to TV lished monthly trade paper for the Nishville country audiences for his ads for BC music idistry, Music City Headache Power.

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slightly mad, and they were dubbed the "Suicide Club" after their first climb, the Holly Tree Wall in nails on a wet day. The partnership played a

crucial part in Kirkus's development into the most productive explorer of ways up rock faces which set standards of difficulty and seriousness rarely, if ever, hitherto achieved in Britain. As Kirkus's cousin, Wilfrid Noyce observed: 'Hargreaves knew perfectly the way of coaching a brilliant leader."

AB was not involved in many first ascents of the significant routes in this crucial era. He seconded Ted Hicks on one of its precursors - Cwm Idwal's very severe Heather Wall - in 1928, and he was one of the stalwarts who followed Kirkus up the Curving Crack of Clogwyn Du'r Arddu in 1932

But his main interest was in repeating, and offering his reliable opinion on, the more notable of the new climbs, and supporting the pre-eminent rock athletes of the day.

At times, despite the maxim that "the leader must not fall", they came to grief. On Good Friday, 1930, Kirkus slipped from the notorious, overhanging South America Crack on Dow Crag's Great Central

He hurtled through the air

an hour or two. Then he threw

away his ticket and went back to the barmaid. And that was

how he came to live in Mos-

daughters and they brought

him little but sorrow. From Lev Razgon's memoirs of years as a USSR Gulag pris-oner in History Today. Raz-

eon later discovered that in the

1930s Nivazov had shot hun-

ireds, even thousands, of Sta-

lin's victims on the place they

called the Distant Hill.

Evolutionary

a species. I hold M&M duels. Taking two candies between

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The Distant Hill

HE was on his way home to Siberia from the front line. He was in Moscow with his ticket already in his pocket. At the station he went into the wooden bar to down a glass of vodka. The woman behind the counter gave him a curious and affectionate look as she handed him a battered sandwich to eat with his drink. "Don't you disappear now," she said. "Come back again." "What for?" he asked. "You look like my husband," she answered quietly. "he was killed right at the beginning of the war Niyazov left the bar and

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d His resistance, as I recall, was la based not only on our unman- le ning but also on the notion h that if women were present, ber 14, 1996	Love Hard And Die Young and Toe Got Five Dollars and it's Saturday Night. At this stage, like his Hayride con- temporary Webb Pierce, he was in thrall to the bar-room blues style of Hank Williams, though he would gradually replace that accent with a	writer and singer of country novelty songs such as King Of The Road, had a job early in his career as his drummer. Young later founded a record- ing studio, which he ran in born Februar 25, 1932; died De-	
	Georg Scheuer, who has died aged 80 played a key post-war role as a journalistic inter- mediary between France and Germany. A lifelong socialist, he was by then the Paris correspondent of Aus- tria's Arbeiter Zeitung. As a writer on European politics, he was also the author of books on the Italian dicta- tor Mussollai's pre-first world war phase as a social- ist, and on his contempo- rary legacy. In the inter-war period, Scheuer was active in the Trotskyist movement in Vi- enna. After Austria became a rightwing ome-party state in 1933, and its government banned all political activi- ties, Scheuer joined various socialist underground and youth groups. By the mid- 1930a he had become disillip- sioned with the Communia- sioned with the Communia- terror began to consume lives and the political struc- ture of the Soviet Union. Thus it was, during the	singer and composer, 50; Michael Blackburn, chief executive, Halifax Building Society, 55; Quentin Blake, artist, illustrator, 64; Nor- man Blamey, painter, 52; Arthur C Clarke, science fiction writer, marine ex- plorer, 73; Myrella Cohen QC, circuit judge, 65; Peter Cole, professor of journal- ism, University of Central Lancashire, 51; Prof Ber- nard Crick, historian, biog- rapher, 67; Peter Dickinson. author, 69; Joel Garner. ricketer, 44; Pat van den Hauwe, footballer 36; Heather Hallett, QC, vice- chair, the Bar Council 47; bald Schools I Design and Fine Arts, 65; jv Ulimann, actress, 58; leut-Gen Sir Roger Wheels, chief of the General Staff. : Death Notics Normson - peacebully (December 90) aged 75. Glens, Mary, 16 Conel of Wil- buy Read, Howe, Creme 346 pm. Fri- day Dacember 2006 at Weale Creman- tian. Enquires to Heanytons, 01273	
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vive long in the inten theatre of competition that is the modern candy world. Occasionally I will get a mutation, a candy that is misshapen, or pointier, or flatter than the rest. Almost invariably this proves to be a weak-ness, but very rarely, it gives extra strength. In this way, the species continues to adapt to its environment. When I reach the end of the ck, I am left with one M&M, the strongest of the herd. Since it would make no sense to eat this one. I peck it neatly in an envelope and send it to M&M Mars, A Division of

WHENEVER I get a package of plain M&Ms, I make it my duty to continue the strength Mars, Inc., Hackettstown, NJ and robustness of the candy as 17840-1503 USA, along with a card reading, "Please use this M&M for breeding purposes." This week they wrote back to thank me, and sent me a coupon for a free 1/2 pound bag of plain M&Ms. I consider this grant money. I have set aside the weekend for a grand tour-nament. We will discover the True Champion. There can be only one.

Courtesy Robert Goulding and the newer blue ones are he found it on a mailing list from an evolutionary blologist. genetically inferior. I have hy-

AGAINST a wall in a temporary screening room in rural Louisians, raw footage from

Adrian Lyne's newly-filmed version of Nabokov's contro versial 1955 novel, Lolita, about a middle-aged man in love with a 12-year-old "nymobet" - the term coined in the novel by Nabokov's paedophile anti-hero, Humbert Humbert, to denote girls "be tween the age limits of 9 and 14" who possess "certain mysterious characteristics, year-old man who's in love with a 12-year-old-girl? "No, says the other, brightening the fey grace, the elusive, shifty, soul-shattering, insid-ious charm." visibly. "Is it dirty?" Charles Fleming does a demo-lition job on the new produc-

The rough-cut assemblage, after introducing Humbert, tion in Vanity Fair. played by Jeremy Irons, and his child enchantress, cli-Bah! Humbug

maxes in the bedroom. There, 57 ELM STREET BETHLEHEM, PA Lolita is seated on Humbert's reclining form, facing away from him, wearing only a pa-11.51PM, DECEMBER 24 jama top. She is reading from the funny papers, biting her lip and gigging. It gradually becomes evident that she is We're here too lote! It's been Mulder, I hope you know what you're doing Look, Scully, just like the other also making love. Soon Lolitz has dropped the comics and

homes: Douglas fir, truncated, mounted, transformed into a her pajams top. Her hair and forehead are beaded with shrine; halls decked with

bare belly, and aboulders heave and glisten. Lyne's voice, off-camera, says: "Brilbeen here? Someone - or someTHING. liant. Move your ass more. Fuck, it's good. It's beautiful Aulder, over here — it's a Arch your back a bit darling Fucking great". Hanging around behind the set...are two local farmers in dungarees and dirty work shirts. What do they know about the movie? 'Nothin'," one man says. Do they know it's about a 4

fruitcake Don't touch it! Those things can be lethal ft's OK. There's a note attached: "Gonna find out who's naughty and nice." It's judging them, Scully, it's making a list.

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shanks of fur surroundings ruddy, mis-shapen head, i said to descend from the heavens to reward its followers and punbloated torso was red and gite ish disbelievers with jagged I'll never forget the horror. chunks of anthracite turned away, and when I loved back it had somehow taken But that's a legend, Mulder --- a story told by parents to frighten the facial features of my fatchildren. Surely you don't Impossible. belleve it? I know what I saw. And the Something was here tonight, night is read my mind. It Scully. Check out the bite marks on this gingerbread man ... It garged tiself, Scully. It fed withbrought me a Mr Potato Hea. Scully, it knew that I wonted Mr Potato Head! I'm sorry, Mulder, but you'n asking me to disregard the las of physics From a ruthless X-Files paroa in the New Yorker attributes "Frank Cammuso and Hart Sorly" - but it sounds like a Darin Morgan episode to us.

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child my home was visited sou

the creature. It had long wite

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out remorse But if this thing does exist, how did it get in? The doors and windows were locked. There's no sign of forced entry. Unless I miss my guess, it came through the fireplace. Walt a minute, Mulder. If

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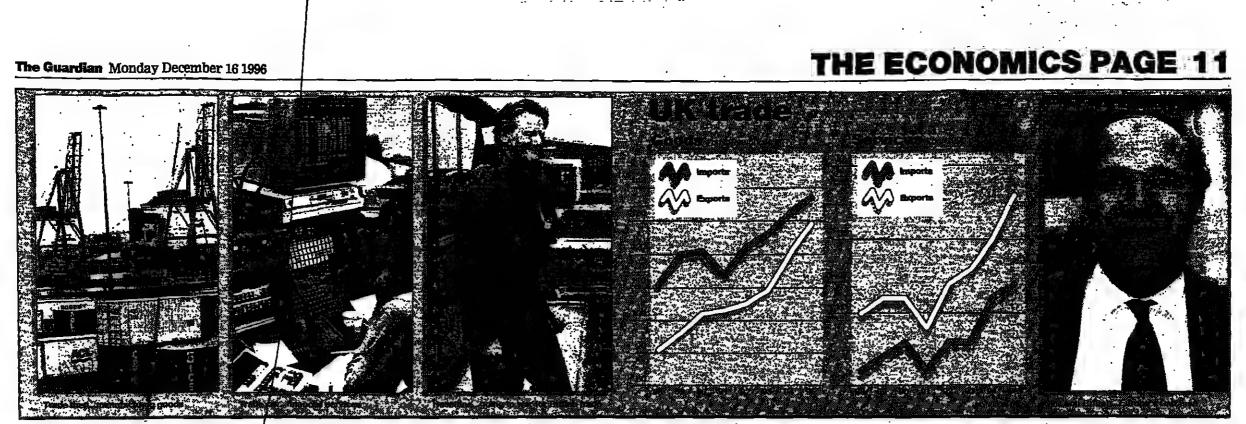
obese humanoid entity who could travel at great speed in a craft powered by antiered ser-

vants. Once each year, near the

solstice, this creature is

you're crazy. The flue is barely

Down and dirty Vanity Fair once?



ELECTION BATTLEGROUND/ Developing nations suspicious of the WTO's agenda

Dream club that costs the earth



Larry Elliott

STAFF at the World Trade Organistion know when thei boss is pleased with hem. Renato Ruggiero beams is big Italian smile and says You

have made well your wort" The summy side of MiRug-giaro was evident last riday when the WTO ended it first ministerial conference with a show of unity and a cles pro-gramme for a further roud of rade liberalisation at thurn

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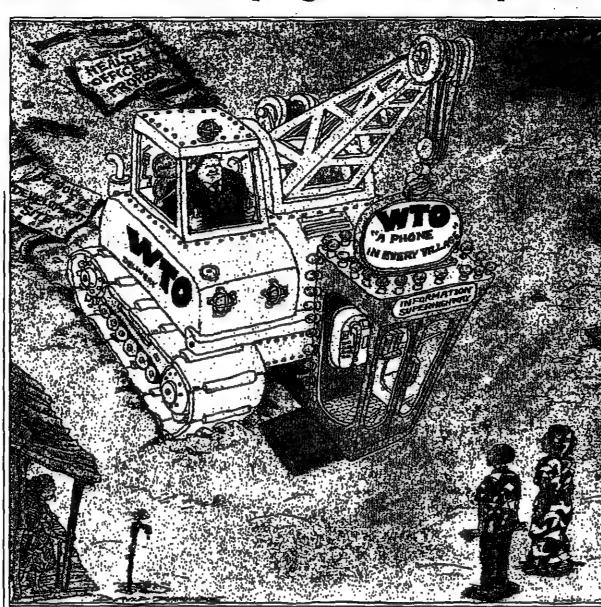
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el at a frastic pace. America, a huge courtry plessed with stu-pendous satual resources, has taken more tian a century pro-gressively to rechuce its tartifa, nd it is still riddled with Small countries are bain

irageored into a liberalisation processes upid that there was a strong undercurrent of though at last week's meeting that the globalisation is merely the rish countries looking after

Th souticism is well-placed Whil ministers from Senegal and articles were speaking to and jarkados were speaking to a lagely empty hall, the Ameri-can: and the Europeans were stiming together a deal to open up as globel market in IT. 5 be fair. Washington and Byssels made no house about wat they were up to Charlense Brahefsky, the acting US trade

presentative, spent more than hif her press conference talk-ig about how good the agree-



Free trade is far from perfect goal it is held to be

Debate/New policies spell pollution. Who pays, asks Simon Zadek

IE World Trade Organi sation may foster envi-ronmantally destructive production and trade at the expense of economically weaker nations. The danger is that governments are discour-aged from fully accounting for the environmental and

social costs of trade. The supporters of free trade argue that it will bring eco-nomic growth — and that rich countries pollute less and use ess resources per head of nulstion leveis.

In this theory the relationship between national income and trade is thought to be shaped like an upside down U: environmental degradation increases only up to a certain level of income and then begins to decrease.

A host of studies during the 1980s and 1990s tested the ex-istance and mature of this inverted U-shaped relationship Many of these studies, includ ing one carried out recently by the New Economics Foun-

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environment must be accounted for: at a macro level in the national accounts, in relation to the activities of transustional corporations through anvironmental and social accounting, and at local

Environmental legislation nust be enacted and enforced where voluntary action in relation to environmental protection is not forthcoming. It will be necessary to compensate nations and commu nities which act to protect common global resources as well as their own environ-ment — in direct financial

terms or through certain forms of trade liberalisation that encourage environme tally-benign production in

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for sale in richer markets. Adding this up means that

factor when weighing up the costs and benefits of change, that a legislative framework

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mental demage. The studies suggest that increased trade need not always have such negative effects. The policy and institutional environand institutional environ-ment in which trade takes place are important factors. The forms of production and trade encouraged through liberalisation poli-cies may be of the wrong kind to achieve the environmental-immental the metric ention economic "win-win" option. It is vital to abandon the view that economic growth must be achieved befor ing to protect enviro The cost of damage to the

gero's evangelical sal basic In truth, the US, the EU and be recognised, too fat the Japan are old-fashioned mer-WTO now wields resentou cantilists who believe that trade weaker nations win system based on rules rathr han ec-with the most clour

weaker nations with system based on rules rathr han ec-nomic muscle. Nor can it be sound that free inde can be of for can-sumers. There a plenty of cases where pric have turn-bled after inefficing state may bled bled bled after inefficing state may bled b cases where pris have fund-bled after inefficing state may nopolies were could up to a blast of foreign constition. This, after all, i what the in-

This, after all,; what the in-ternational division labour is own industrial base. The ternational divisition labour is own industrial base. The about Two countes stand to counter-argument is that pro-gain from coentrating on tectonism is without question, what they are od at and trad-ing with each ter. That, at least, is the they least, is the they The reality is of more diffi-

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cult not leas because every country in theorid, whatever its state of iefelopment, is being asked blithe same mod- locus less good when held up to aluggish and real wages have

the light. The US tariff had been tripled to 40 per cent in the aftermath of the first world war, but productivity and growth soured in the 1920s. The res according to revisionist US acconomists, is that income taxes were cut, increasing the spending power of domestic producers. By contrast, the Smoot-Hawley tariff was accompanied by a swingeing income-tax increase, stanged out, even if it means the smaller country is thereby

and it was this that caused the Slump. It is not free trade that delivers productivity gains and growth but feroclous internal competition.

iff, ntroduced in the US in 1930, to how conclusively that protectionism equals depression. Infortunately, that argument

This is an argument that cannot be dismissed out of hand. America's share of exports in GDP has doubled in the past 20 years but productivity growth has fallen. Growth has been

dropped. Here we come to a final point Even if the increase in trade boosts overall global output, how can we be sure that the gains from that growth are distributed fairly Moreover, if the growth has a high but un-quantified environmental cost, does it actually represent creater trade boosts overall global distributed fairly Moreover, if the growth has a high but un-quantified environmental cost, does it actually represent trade boosts overall global output, how can we be sure that the growth has a high but un-quantified environmental cost, does it actually represent the growth wat and the sure that the growth has a high but un-quantified environmental cost. oping countries to raise the level of worker rights. And all this must be achieved at zero

greater prosperity at all? Over the next few years, the WTO will have to address these concerns. The furore over COSL labour standards last week There is some hope. Developreflects the growing sense among workers that the globaling countries such as India, Pakistan and Brazil, are becom-

isation process is heavily skewed towards satisfying the needs of cenital There is a question of redistri- process. bution, both within and be bution, both within and be tween countries, that will not go away. Additionally, some WTO watchers are rightly concerned about the possible environmen-phone in every village, many of

responsibilities to our villages. We must put a school, put a road, put a health office, put a notice advising of the use of pes-ticides so as not to jeoperdise market access for exportable

increasingly, do it all ourselves, there remains that obvious disparity which we attach to a vil-lage phone — which we do not manufacture and in which we do not have an export interest - and a plethora of competing demands.¹

ing quite powerful WTO players and are refusing to be steam-It was a wall-almed rebuke for the WTO's director-general. Unless Mr Ruggiero, the WTO rollered aside. But it is a slow and the rich countries of the North address the concerns of

countries like Trinidad and Tobago they will not make well their work.

Wide Fund for Nature, have concluded that the data and methodology in the research which supports the curve are wobbly. NRF's report says the more builish studies ignore some of the polluting practices of industrial countries. Analysis that has sought to

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WTO) must simultaneously adjust for such critical omis-sions and errors of analysis address and regulate its envi-ronmental and social have found that it is possible In addition, those countries that, as income increases, poland communities that been lution increases too. The comforting view that the environ-ment will be "looked after" the economic brant of envi-

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tions by the Department of Trade and Industry will be a welcome sign that the court is abandoning infantile obsessions with human rights. Together with the appear-

sight of those Quality Street wrappers with "euro" printed on them in Greek will bring out the bully worshipper in many a chalk-striped individual. Conversely, those union leaders who have spent five

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ridden Britain can never get in synch over Europe? currency chaos and ripe to be nicked on "economic sabotage" charges. The Euro-plod won't play Maybe, but a unifying issue is on the stocks, thanks to the German chan-

well in N1 or EC3 but, by the time it comes to a vote, ing ideas he unveiled last week for allowing Eurpol the present Opposition may be batting for Britain with (currently an information service) to arrest anyone it an approach not so much Ernest Saunders as Casab upon which their members | fancies; clock the fact that | lanca's Claude Rains.

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Names	to court	Tony May	spokesman said yesterday. Alliance has been looking at insurance companies like Friends Provident and rivals	change for shares.	building society, has told in- vestors: "The Alliance & Leicester is looking to grow its business and indeed that	en Ju
LOYD's of London will this week launch a fierce courtroom offen- to in an effort to force a up of recalcitrant Names bay more than £200 mil- t. ne Names — whose wealth	Nanes has pleded to con- time to fight Llord's. Their resolve and legal frepower is about to be challenged in three test hearings in the Higt Court. Loyd's is bringing cases actants Geoffrey Lyons, Den- nis reighs and David Wilkin- son. Michael Freeman, of solici-	A plans to expand further and unit trusts after its 52.9 billion stock market flo- tion in the spring. The company, which will rank 70th out the Stock Ex- change's top 100, will still be small by the standards of other banks and could prove	like the Bradford & Bingley building society but it will not be mounting hostile blds. The spokesman denied reports that Alliance planned a rights issue to raise extra cash from those savers and borrowers who are being of- fered shares worth about \$1,000 each.	liance has already diversified is one of its most appealing characteristics as far as the City is concerned. It gets 40 per cent of its \$327 million profit from non- traditional sources, like the \$70 billion Girobank cash transmission business which made a surplus of \$65.5 mil-	forms part of the rationale for our flotation. "We are looking to make ac- quisitions that fit our bush- ness strategy and for which there is a proper business case. We do not intend to make any hostile approaches and when we identify compa- nies we will go to the City	T P
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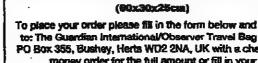
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Racing

Addington on upgrade

Chris Hewkins

DDINGTON BOY put himself firmly on the Cheltenham Gold Cup trail when winning the Tripleprint Chase at Prestbury Park on Saturday.

Emphasising the strength in depth of Gordon Richards's stable, the progressive eightyear-old stayed on strongly up the hill to justify 7-4 favouritism, beating Go Universal by six lengths.

'Touch wood he's fine this morning," said Richards yes-terday. "He'll have three or four weeks off and then we'll did not get home is something start thinking about getting him ready for the Gold Cup. which has been exercising the trainer's mind.

staying three and a quarter he was beaten so easily in the miles. Ideally he'd want end that there's just a little ground with a little bit of give but then so would most chas-ers. I read somewhere that he must have fast ground but that's wrong."

Come March, Richards could find himself with three or even four Gold Cup run-ners as One Man, The Grey Monk and Unguided Missile are all possibles. One Man's big target before

then is the King George VI Chase at Kempton on Boxing Day and he was denied a fas cinating warm-up clash with Rough Quest on Saturday be-cause of the abandonment of the Haydock card.

"It was a shame he couldn't have a gallop for £10,000 as he's super-fit and I was pretty confident," said the trainer. Provided we don't get any hold-up in the weather there's no reason why he won't go to Kempton in just as good

shape." Richards does not expect The Grey Monk to run in the Coral Welsh National on De-cember 27, fearing that his spectacular young jumper would have to shoulder top weight. This looks more likely following the defection of Lo Stregone. "I wouldn't want The Grey with the former winner Bar-

distance so I think I'm more likely to run Parsons Boy who has 9st 7lb and should get into the race on a nice mark." Brian Harding is expected to ride Parsons Boy, given an 8-1 quote by Hill's, having won twice on the gelding this Richards has the Rowland

Meyrick Chase at Wetherby on Boxing Day as the alternative for The Grey Monk who was beaten by Coome Hill in the Hennessy last month. Either The Grey Monk, who seemed to be cantering two

out, was simply beaten by a better horse or whether he

"There's no problem as far as I'm concerned about him like he was going to win but question in my mind about whether he got the three and a quarter," said Richards. This is another reason why

Richards is fighting shy of the Welsh National but the ques-tion of stamina is obviously vital to his Gold Cup chance It is possible that like One Man he is best at three miles and that Addington Boy (16-1 from 25-1) is going to emerge as the stable's number one for

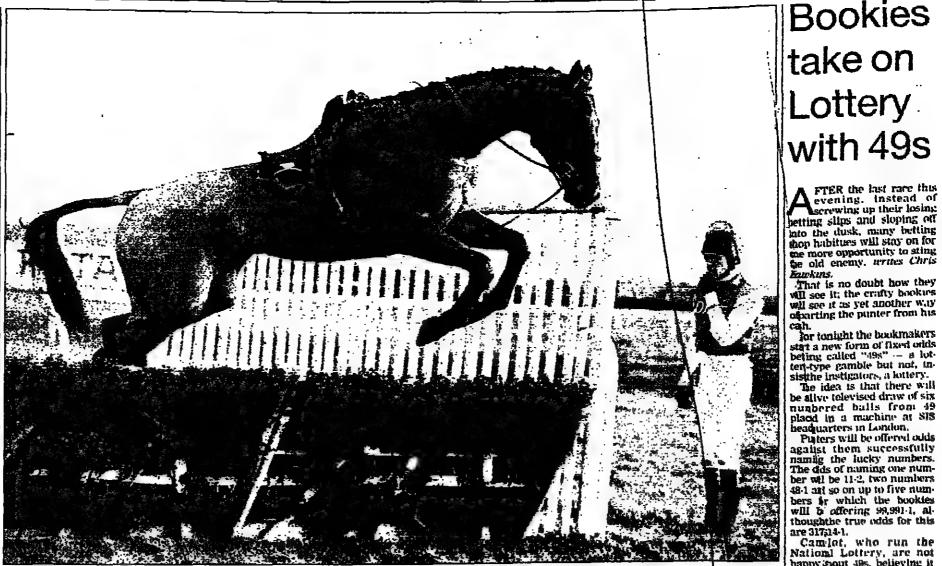
Cheltenham. More about the prospects of Unguided Missile will be known after next Saturday's Betterware Chase at Ascot. Terry Casey will give Rough Quest a run over hur-dies at Folkestone tomorrow

to sharpen him up for the King George. "I'm not overly happy

about it, but he'll run in a two and a half miles hurdles race provided he doesn't get ballot-

ed out," said Casey. "Tm left with no other option. He has to get a race under his belt before Kempton and the Betterware Chase doesn't leave enough time." Hill's make Rough Quest a 6-1 chance for the King

vesterday. George behind 4-5 favourite One Man. Sound Man is 4-1,



Horse-laugh ... a nonplussed Gerry Hogan looks on as Goatsfut, his mount in the Racecourse Medical Officers Association Hurdle at Porcaster on Saturday, jumps the first obstacle without him. Goatsfut, who had tried to refuse and ejected Hogan at the first hurdle at Huntingdon in October. eated the hapless rider but this time elected to pop over just as Hogan was preparing to collect him. again uns MARTIN LYNCH

Delay those Action bets warns Sherwood

Chris Hawkins

ARGE Action had his Champion Hurdle odds trimmed to 6-1 from 8-1 after beating Bimsey by balf a length in the Bula

Hurdle at Cheltenham on Saturday, but long-range punters should hold fire the gelding's trainer Oliver Sherwood warned him to the Stayers' Hurdle at the Festival in March.

coming off the bit approaching the final flight, change my mind," he said. just one more race in the said his lack of finishing "I want to win races at build up to the Festival. speed may always count against him in the Cham-Cheltenham and it would be better to win the Staypion Hurdle in which he ers' Hurdle rather than finhas previously finished second and third. ish third in the Champion. "This places ante-post

Indeed Sherwood is con-vinced Large Action is more effective over longer distances and might switch him to the Stayers' Murdle and i'm sure they will." Sherwood had been con-cerned that the firmish

Sherwood has pencilled in next month's Cleeve Hurdle etback. "Atours has injured a or the Tote Gold Trophy at

Newbury. "I don't think he's the sort of horse that needs a lot of practice now and I'm sure it'll be a lot better if he goes to the Festival fresh."

Large Action had to be rousted up the hill by Ja-Champion but if, for instance, Alderbrook is he reported the eight-year-of Collier Bay, his con-

Atours, a 2011 chance with Hill's, is most unlikely to make the Champion lineup after suffering auother

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added Sherwood. Alderbrook is 3-1 favourstat a new form of fixed olds being called "19s" - a lotten-type ramble but not, in-sistine instigators, a lottery. The idea is that there will be alive televised draw of six nunbered balls from 49 placed in a machine at SIS headuarters in London. Puters will be offered odds against them successfully naming the lucky numbers.

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The dds of naming one num-ber wil be 11-2, two numbers 48-1 at so on up to five num-bers is which the bookles will b affering 99,991-1, al-thoughthe true odds for this are 317,14-1.

for tonight the bookmakers

Camlot, who run the National Lottery, are not happy bout 48s, believing it will spinon off money that might oherwise go to thom and at he good causes that benefition their lattery.

As a result Camelot have tried is sop it, citing the 1976 Lotter's And Amusements Act with makes all lotteries, apart for those run by small

sociersa, local authurities and carkies, illegal. Buthe bookmakers maintain the is fixed odds betting. "Wre not seiling any tick-ets," and Tom Kelly, director

"Atours has injured a ets." And Tom Kelly, director very serious injury." of th Betting Office Licen-cres ssociation. "We are of-said yesterday. "He sait a pastern and then injured it again when he was just fooling about. It is firly serious and he has, een pinned and bolted. He hasn't been retired by I

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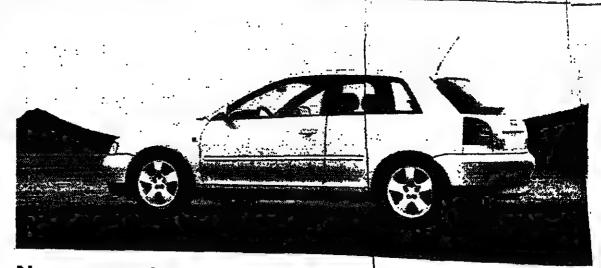
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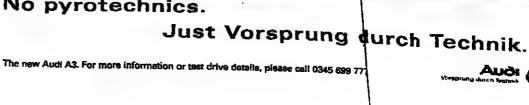
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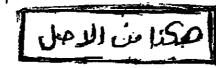


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Robert Armstrong

NGLAND avoided the humiliation of a home defeat by the amateurs of Argentina but there was no escaping the grotesque shambles of their worst performance since Jack Rowell took charge in 1994. Over-byped, overpaid and over-trained to the point of staleness, England relied on that familiar standby, the driving maul, to get them out of jail with a match-saving try by the temporary captain Jason Leonard.

Rowell's disorganised crew - team would be a mismomer for them - entered into the Christmas spirit by handing six penalties which the excel-lent Argentinian goalkicker Gonzalo Quesada took with aplomb despite unsporting whistling from the 60,000 crowd. Argentina's 18-12 lead late in the game fairly reflected their superior organisation and all-round ability.

Since the World Cup 18 months ago England have learned nothing and forgotten many of the basic lessons about forward pay that underpinned their long run of success under the previous man-ager Geoff Cooke.

Rowell talks about getting to grips with the "issues" of team selection and development, yet he seems increas-ingly out of touch as a modern Test coach, with little to show from the past year. The hard decisions which he tends to avoid must be taken before the Calcutta Cup match against Scotland at Twickenham on February 1. Crucially the half-back zone

needs to be steadied by pick-ing a specialist No. 10, either Grayson or King, and a more experienced scrum-half such as Bracken or Dawson; the Northampton pair did nothing wrong last season.

Selection, too, is not only about choosing the right play-ers but also about picking them in the right positions. Sheasby, who was substituted by Clarke after the break, should be switched to the open side and not relegated to the bench, with Dallaglio moved to the blind side and either Rodber or Clarke at

No. E If Stimpson returns at fullback, the versatile Beal ought



Moment of cohesion . . . an England attack keeps its momentum for once as Nick Beal squirms out of an Argentinian tackle and finds Tony Underwood in support DAN SMETH

never gave such an inept dis-play of kicking from hand as the Bath player has done against the New Zealand Bar-Leonard pointed out: "Their until Leonard and friends barians and Argentina. On Saturday Catt hoofed away possession or failed to find touch far too often. England's root problem was

their inability to build a solid platform under persistent sure and tactical nous as their half-backs Miranda and pressure from a highly moti-Que

front row [Grau, Promanzio and Reggiardo] outweighed us, though we are not small." rumbled over in the left cor-Behind the scrum Argen-tina showed greater compo-

"This was a big step for-ward for Argentinian rugby but we need a level playing-field in the way our game is organised to compete on sada demonstrated with equal terms with the profes-

successively in the Pilkington Cup, the Courage League and the European Cup over the next six weeks. That melange of demanding fixtures cannot be the ideal preparation for the Five Nations It remains to be seen

whether Phil de Glanville, who missed the Argentina game with a thigh strain, will win back his place - and the

his time and energy coned by his role as captain nation to come perilously of Bath, who are going for a league and cup double as comclose to inflicting embarrassing damage. Overworked players, a coach who has run out of steam, leadership frailensation for their early exit from Europe. How long can the England captain continue the England captain continue to give 100 per cent on a divid-ed front? Certainly the dangers of burn-out threaten a number

of England players involved little more than a grisly joke.

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Howley — a Lion poised for attack

Ahigh a poor victory

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Ian Malin sees little return from new era of rich investment

HE touts were as get ous as Scrooge on Christmas morning. "Well, they're f22 at face value but yon can have them for less. And half price for the youngsters." Such season of goodwill. But it was 2.20pm and there were a lot of seats still to sell.

Twenty thousand space in the crowd on Saturday told how English rugby has over-valued itself. So, when England's professionals on £70,000 contracts come close to losing to the amateurs of Argentina whose short tour will net each player around £1,000 in expenses, supporters were lacking in good will.

As England wrenched victory the crowd displayed as much charity as a Victorian workhouse in win-ter. Their frustration was chiefly aimed at Mike Catt. The fiy-half had a wretched second half but booing him when he opted to kick Eng-land's fifth penalty 15 min-utes from time was surely unfatr. Catt, in his shoulder pads, found the weight of expectation impossible to

cope with. In the end that penalty was the difference between the sides but England's shortcomings are not toler-ated in this new profes-sional era. The crowd feel justified in asking why their money is beloing way the six-figure salary of a has-been Springbok while England fail to nurture a decent home-grown fly-half.

And why, in an era when even the England shirt is besmirched with an advertising logo, can Argentina, a country where sponsor-ship for the game has been non-existent, give the home side an 80 minutes every bit as uncomfortable as when these teams met in the World Cup 18 months ago.

Argentina's front row in that game in Durban, which England won 24-18,

with Guscott remaining at centre. Skill-coaches must also be enlisted to raise play- ers' tactical awareness and improve their handling and ball transfer. The England coach should stop justifying every medio- cre performance by Catt by reminding us that it took Rob	that will take us forward	Fortunately the Argentin- ian forwards were almost as undisciplined as the English, committing close-quarter of- ee games in a row at for the combination	Lisandro Arbizu. "We must learn how to profit from pressures by get- ling points on the board. We should have scored a couple of tries but overall I am happy with the way things turned out. Already we are profes- sionals in our heads." England may he profes- sional in body as well as mind, yet the disjointed pat-	and Carling have resumed their midfield partnership, al- belt with mixed results. In- deed, de Glanville could find We have got to up the of our thinking. Some the last 10 minutes bu	on behalf of club and country. England's palpable lack of aggression and creative ideas on Saturday allowed a so- pace of the game and excellent stuff came in it that does not excuse	Distance C. BRGLANDE N Beel (Northempton); J Sisighthoime (Bath), W Carling (Herlequine; J Generat (Bith), T Underwood (Nercastie); B Cast (Seth), A Gomaraal (Waspa; G Riverbroe (Laistster), B Regan (Bristol), J Leasand (Harlequine, cept), S Stater (Bristol), J Johnson (Laistster), T Rodher (Northempton), L Dallagie (Wasps), C Dessey (Wasps; C Clarke, Richmond, Iv 1, AROMITIMA E Jamaing C Camerdon, E Sheare, I Permission C Camerdon, E Sheare, I Permission C Research, B Castada, N Permission C Research, S Castada, N Permission, B Regato, P	Pumas' pack still has more beef than Fray Bentos. The combined weight of their locks Pedro Sporleder and German Lianes is around 89 stone, and their value in the scrums and line-outs was beyond price. "They're as strong as in the 1995 World Cup," said Jason Leonard, England's captain for the day. "Not many front rows are bigger than ours but technically
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Stark improvement flatters Scots with Five Nations looming

Gordon Lyle at Murrayfield

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in the final game before they | Stark 12 minutes from the | scrummage the new cap. Matopen their campaign here against Wales next month.

COTLAND will be able ScotLAND will be able After trailing the Italians to look forward to the Iz-8 at the interval, the Scots Five Nations with cut loose when it mattered. greater optimism based on an with the decisive try coming improved second-half display from the replacement Derek

tie Stewart, shone at tight head while Scotland were While the margin of victory in the first full-cap meeting more competitive at the restarts largely due to the recalled Andy Reed. There was also some excellent finbetween the countries may not appear flattering, the Scots looked sharper in sev-eral areas. In an improved

ishing from the backs.

Scotland's coach Richie Dixon acknowledged that his side had made a lot of mis-takes in the first half but "We pulled things every department. We showed added: together to score some very fine tries against a strong side. The line-out continues to again that we can compete with and come close to beating a major rugby nation." However, Charlie Bisset, a be a worry but I was delighted with the way our backs took their chances." Scottish representative on the Five Nations committee, is The Italians relied beavily on their stand-off Diego Do-minguez, who kicked 15 points to take his interna-tional tally past the 400 mark or biological tally past the 400 mark

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coach Alex Wyllie, Argenti-na's current technical adviser, was asked if Eng-land's problems stemmed from their fly-half. His silence was as eloquent as that of the crowd at the final whistle.

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY

Wales 20, South Africa 27

Boks hide singed as the Welsh team catch fire

Robert Armstrong

OUTH AFRICA might currently be rated only the second-best side behind New Zealand, but they turned in a performance worthy of world champlons in outscoring never-say-die Wales by five tries to one in an enthralling match. Joost van der Westhuizen

underlined his status as the best scrum-half in Test rugby four months. with a hat-trick of tries that ensured there would be no Weish comeback in the final half-hour. The movement, colour and spirit of enterprise demon-strated by both sides made for an invigorating contrast with England's leaden-footed performance at Twickenham 24

hours earlier. Wherever one chose to focus: individual cameos of extraordinary skill from rapid succession.

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fortable 16-6 lead within 25 minutes, which swiftly put ton, Andrews and the captain Teichmann behaved like men at the start of a tour rather Wales on the horns of a dilemma: should they kick their short-range penalties or tap and run in the hope of a conthan battle-weary profession-als who have now forged six successive Test victories in verted try? Humphreys took the safer option, handing the It was easy to believe Van

der Westhuizen when he said: "It's lovely to be back at the bull to Jenkins, who obliged in the first half with four penalty Arms Park and to score three goals. On the stroke of half-time

tries here. The Welsh are a very good side, especially in counter-attack. They played Jenkins again reduced the South African lead with a short-range penalty but the good rugby." As their captain Jonathan second period had barely Humphreys said, Wales got begun when Van der Westhui zen again showed his preda-tory instincts, tearing the ball better and faster the longer the game lasted, often threatening out of a maul in front of the Welsh posts and crashing over the Springboks on their own Honiball, Small, Joubert, How-ley and Bateman flashed by in ability to keep moving up a gear meant Welsh pressure kins's fifth penalty goal barely

respectable, which meant defending in depth with courage and organisation as the Springboks launched wave after wave of attacks. With three minutes left, Ar-

wel Thomas scored a magnificent consolation try at the left flag, after Howley fired the ball from a scrum. It was the least Wales deserved for their brave and unrelenting effort.

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provided serious hopes for a rousingly genuine challenge in the Five Nations tournament. They always say that in Wales but yesterday there was some evidence for it. Certainly Wales's sprightly and wholehearted defiance in

the face of the world champions yesterday was decorated with colourful rainbow streamers in comparison to the woodenly laboured, limp and dull trauma of England at Twickenham the day before.

Unlike the London crowd the Cardiff throng was en-couraged to get behind their

team at every opportunity. "We want to play our rugby on the very edge," the Wales coach Kevin Bowring said

"And Arwel does - he keeps us on the edge." Thomas was a late replace-ment at fly-half for the flu-

struck Jonathan Davies ("Un well Davies replaced by Arwel Thomas," ran the offi-cial WRU note). With the

N TRUTH the thunderoutly long-time steady-as-ahe-goes box scrum-half provided a de-dynamic South Africans incumbent Neil Jenkins play fining tour de force in the ing a grand match at fuil-back visceral arts and sciences of - a position he says he does not fancy - the debate about the talismanic over the half-century but the spirit and spunk displayed by Wales, and even at times their No. 10 shirt will now continue to run to the combined fury traditional native panache, and delectation of every taproom in the Principality. But it was inside Thomas

Frank Keating marvels at the other class act in a No.9 shirt

that Wales could savour the day's copper-bottomied class act in the shape of their scrum-half Robert Howley, a glistening find. Up against the very best in the game in Joost van der Westhuizen, Howley faced his sternest challenge

but came through. If the respl endent Spring-

Arwel does well ... Thomas caps a fine display with a try next month."

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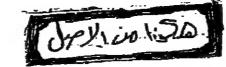
when he recounted that many of the Springboks on Sztur-day night had watched the recordings of both the matches played by Scotland and England. fining tour de force in the visceral arts and sciences of

the position - and time and Yesterday South Africa time and again looked as if they were about to pop open again spirits soared to the memory of the onliest Gareth on the same famous field — in the stopper and let out their no way was the gallant and inventive Howley outplayed. The South Africans' coach Andre Markgraaff acknowlagain

edged as much: "Joost's The new Welsh back row greatness is a factor in any had much more red meat Test he plays. Howley might about it, giving and taking be good, very good, perhaps the best in Europe, but we some mighty knocks and in both cases seeming to enjoy it have Joost and let the British | for the cau

Lions remember that next year." The difference between Sunday in Cardiff and Satur-Markgraaff's hint of a smile day at Twickenham was palpable. Or is it that the became noticeably broader haughty English expect too much and the also-rans of Wales actually expect so little?

For once the Welsh captain Jonathan Humphreys had good reason for a smile. "We were 10 times as good as against Australia a formight ago. We were just as commit-ted in theory then, of course, but look how much more speed and strength we had



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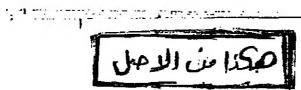
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e, Fjortoft, Subs (not used): ms, Barron.	Crosby, Sub (not used); Neel, Referee P Rejer (Tiptan),	Carton, Davis, Descute, moderni, ampenin Sube, Wilsems, Farrell, Patterson, Cisesterfield Mercer, Havits, Jules, Curits, Williams, Dyche, Rogers, Gaugtan, Lomiss, J Morris, Perkins, Subs: Carr, Lomas, Davies	Roteroe T Hulbron (Newton Aycide). Rochdale (0)1 Hartlepool (2)3	Ayr	Nucesion	FB 5. Holker OB 0; Teday Walker 1, Tra- ford 0; Hellam 1, North Ferriby Utd 3, Guid-	son (Rangers), Cadete (Califet, S Cameran (Hearts), Thom (Califet).	
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	Spencer 50 Peacock 85 General Park Rengers Roberté McCormett,	Yerk City Clarke, McMillan, Alkinson, Poeton, Tutili, Barras, Himsworth, Murty, Tolson, Buil,	Rechdols Gray, Forsome, Bayles, Johnson, Hill, Thackoray Batley Deary, Cecere, Whitehail, Painter Subs Thompson, Dowol,	Stranszer	Cambridge City 18 5 4 8 28 29 19 Ashford Town 16 4 7 5 22 29 19	Mossley 3: Gedling Th 0. Durham C 1: Hucknall Th 1, Newcastle Th 0; Wood- bridge Th 3, Halstead Th 1, Oadby Th 1	went out of the FA Women's League Cup 3-2 in the quar-	
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z, Hall, Kubicki, Mehrillo, (racewell, Gray (Agnew 85), Russell, Subs (not used):	Ali-Ins, Venus, Emblen (Richards 77), Conca (Goodman 73), Thomas (Dowe I 0), Buil,	Gallingham	Stampo 16 Att 1,567 Torquiny United Wilmod, Michell, Barrow, Hathaway Wright, Watson Winter, Hawthorne,	Invertices CT 17 8 5 1 30 20 32 Montrose	mouth 2. Erith & Belveders 0. POOLS CHIECK: Half-time: Score draws	Orient 2, Chariton Ath 2; West Ham 1, Southend Utd 1. Postconed: Chelsna v	the annual poll run by the magazine France Pootball.	
dag, Galfft, Clarke, Myara	Roberts, Osporn, Chiltanna Kolly, Flaming, Serrant, Henry, Garnott, Redmond, Orlygsson, Rickers, Ormondroyd, Barlow (Bercatord 61),	Plymonth	Jack, Gregory Stamps, Subs; Hodges, Preaton, J Thomps,	Forfar	(total 8): 3, 5, 12, 14, 19, 33, 40, 45, 86- (actors drames (13): 1, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 27,	Millwall; Norwich C v Arsenal; OPR v Wat- lord. Second Division; Colchester Uni 5. Reading C; Crystal Palace 2, Wycombe 1	Sammer, who plays for the German champions Borussia	
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		Rotherham	Thompstons. Referee P Taylor (Choshunt)	East Stirling 17 3 5 9 15 25 14 Arbroath		Winterson 4, Barnel D. Postponeds Luten Th v Bristol C: Swindon v Bournemouth,	from Barcelona's Brazilian Ronaldo and Alan Shearer.	
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	lands 17, Yorks 68, Staffs 19, Durham 80.	Badminton	Nalai won by eight wickets, Kimberteyn Free State 433 Griqualand West 340 (M Arthur 57, M Gidley 52, P Barnard 62;	Gannock 4. Guildond 2: Havani 2: Surbiton 1	REPRESENTATIVE (Cirencester) Eng-	Mile Fridays Buttalo G. NY Rangers 3.	Stemping (P.J. 51 51 4000 - 1 M	
State of the state	GLUBS: Aspetria 48, Pennith 12; Beth 71. Waketield 30; Bredkord & Bingley 19, Har-	Haughton (Lancs) 15-5, 15-2, Doubles: J	Arthur 57, M Gidley 52, P Barnard 62; Player 4-41) and 14-0 Cape Towns Bor- der 210 and 185 (M Boucher 69no, Schultz	3. Postponed: Southgate v Teddington. Saturday: East Grinstead 2. Hounstow 1.	NEDOOR REPRESENTATIVE (Dundes): Scotland squad 9, Torbrax W 8.	1; St Louis 1. Chicago 4; San Joso 0, Pitte-	round interin 1 19 30 4x 50m modey	3
Fully have a series white a series i	Whate- I Michesdale II. Whate- I	Robertson/N Robertson (Northants/ Notis) bi J Anderson/I Pearson (Esser)	5-69, Pringle 4-28). Western Province 290 and 105-2, Western Province won by elable	P W D L F A Pts Cansock	SCOTTISH MOOOR LEAGUE (Perth): Standings (a) winter break): 1. Menzie-	day: Boston 0. Buffato 4; Hertford 0, Phile- delphila 4; Now Jersoy 3 Montreal 3 (ct); 1	Women: 200m freestyler I. M. Moray- COVI (Singulati 15" C) SOm breat- stroker I. V Linchel (Aut) at Su 200m	
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2.30 unless stated): Filter 1	Rugby League	BUCHERSON LEAGUER Newcastle EA-	EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (Charle-	Havent	11-20. Sectler Ashford 0, Tunbridge Weils	ana (10 1.51.89 A L Aleband (Ex) (()	DERMAN OPEN (Osnitanck) Semi-Re- als: A Robidoux (Can) bid Hypric (Scol)	
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Ahead of the game . . . Kevin Ball takes on the Chelsea defence and forces home Gray's cross for Sunderland's second goal in their emphatic win at Roker Park

Premiership: Sunderland 3, Chelsea 0

Reid's terriers lead Chelsea a merry dance

Michael Walker

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DDLESBROUGH may be in free fall while Newcastle are spluttering somewhat but at a moonlit Roker Park yesterday Sunder-land proved that there is still a beating pulse in North-east football. They did so in convincing fashion against a elsea team that had limp Ch the look of dejected men long

with Kilmarnock.

before the final whistle. Rhythm is essential to the Londoners' passing game and they simply did not know which tune to dance to. They

most of the time they were doing the twist as Sunderland's angry young men chased and battled with a pasallowed to settle. sion that does not always disguise their deficiencies. It did vesterday, though.

An unfortunate own-goal from Duberry midway through the first half gave Sunderland a slightly undeland's won-one-lost-a-couple run is relegation material while Chelsea had not triumphed in any of their last four. Admittedly three of served lead but further goals from Ball and Russell after the interval were warranted those were draws but Zola has and, as Sunderland swelled, not yet been on the winning Chelses shrivelled. Peter Reid was a magnani-

With Vialli out injured and "the lucky break" for the first goal but he also pinpointed Di Matteo on the bench nursing a Lemsip, Zola was the only one of Chelsea's Italians

success: the hustling for pos- though, was the decision by session which was to prove the manager Gullit to play vital. Chelsea were never alone at centre forward as he did not wish to risk Hughes. Neither side came into the who had played for Wales on game in particularly impres-Saturday, picking up a ham-

string injury. Judging by his demeanour, the Chelsea manager may have been experiencing a sive form and a scrappy open-ing reflected that. Sundertinge of regret as early as the 13th minute. He stood hands on hips and dreadlocks shak ing in disdain at an attempted pass from Duberry. A minute later Guilit was at it again.

In fact the only things be had to smile about were a couple of sweet turns from Zola and a flowing seven-man

cohesion. It was not until the last seconds of the first half that Perez, in the Sunderland goal was forced into any serious action, when he saved

bravely at the feet of Wise following another clipped Zola pass. By that stage Chel-sea were behind, albeit in unfortunate circumstances. On the half hour Russell

collected a Rae flick from a Perez goalkick and, with little else on, decided to shoot. The ball looked on course for the half-moon hanging above Roker Park but struck the retreating back of Duberry

Londoners might be finding a workable pattern, Sunderland's persistent harrying was creating problems. Ree may have squandered a previous chance but three minutes after the break, from

but at least hinted at Russell declined to celebrate, by a red-and-white shirt, he cohesion. | perhaps Duberry should be | fed Gray. given the dubious privilege of being the scorer. The winger can often infu-riste with his poor delivery

but this time Gray produced a Prior to that Sunderland had wasted an inviting oppor-tunity when Bracewall surged unhindered into the Chelsea gem of a centre that Ball met with a smiling, diving header from five yards. area but knocked his centre behind Russell and to the left

Gullit, who had introduced Di Matteo at half-time, then of Rae. However, though a block by Perez at the boot-laces of Wise suggested the brought on Hughes but Chelsea continued to labour and when Russell added a third in the 68th minute, the Blues were already a defeated team.

Russell acknowledged his contribution this time, whirling away with a beaming face after seeing his side-foot shot from Kelly's neat through-ball

stiacked." An equaliser by Peter Beadle, 90 seconds from the end, had led to a pitch inva-

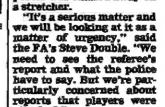
end, had led to a picci inva-sion by celebrating Rovers' fans which caused a five-minute delay. Mounted police separated the fist-flailing supporters and cleared the field. We have worked so hard

to dig this club out of a hole -- now I have to wonder if it was worth it," said City's young chairman Scott Davidson. "It was appalling." "There will be an imme-

diate internal inquiry. We'll be looking to identify those who caused trouble. I don't have any problem with banning them for life. I don't want to be associ-

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16 Monday December 16 1996 Five pages of sport Soccer **Rugby Union** Sportex Wales get Fan pitch master class invasion from world wrecks local champions derby match 13 15 HUMILIATING START TO ONE-DAY SERIES England sink to a new low **David Hopps in Bulawayo sees Mike** Atherton's batsmen collapse again NYBODY in the but just invites a feeling of mood for another depression, story of sporting Console yourself that you are not alone. But indignation must still work within you somewhere. Consider the facts. England have played Zimbabwe in four one-day inhumiliation? Ob, go on. There are times when the England team seems to have been invented as the vehicle for scorn and ternationals and have lost three, yesterday's two-wicket defeat at Queen's coming derision. One might as well pour in some petrol and ride around again. What do you mean, you can't raise the enthusiasm for courtesy of about as vacilitating a batting display as one could wish to witness — 152 a good scoff any more? That it is possible to have too much of a good thing. That's an-other backneyed story if an all out on a pitch that might have inhibited strokeplay but which was reliable enough to England defeat no longer makes you burn inside with bitterness, sarcasm or anger, have provided at least 200. Zimbabwe can be quite a handy one-day side as Eng-land's captain Michael Ather-ton was careful to point out afterwards. So handy, in fact, that they had lost their last 10 one-day, interpretionals, and Scoreboard one-day internationals, and had never beaten a Test nation in a limited-overs art c A Flower b Streak ... rton c Sub b G W Flower match batting second. England might have made a habit of losing in some strange places but they have rarely succumbed in such an lally c & b Ren rolt c G W Flow out - Houghton

riteg: 97-3; Streak 9-1-30-3; Whittell 17-3; Streak 9-1-30-3; Whittell 17-0; Strang 9,4-1-27-1; G W Rower

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easy-going atmosphere, where they had vocal English support, where all the Zim-babweans in a 5,000 crowd seemed to know each other and where the PA announcer virtually thanked everybody. David Lloyd, England's coach, dared to refer to "a ter-

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to bowl out his three guicker bowlers. Gough's two wickets included the prize one of Houghton, who drove to extra cover, and Mullally's final spell brought two wickets in two balls. But Atherton eventually ran out of options. Croft's off-spin was withdrawn, after his first two overs cost 16, and Irani again was caught at mid-on. looked vulnerable.

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finishing unbeaten on 49, and even he could not have been from straightforward but one entirely happy as, in the final could almost sense him down-grading England's required throes, he ran out Gough and then lost both the strike and total over by over. Then he had a leg-side mow at Grant Flower's slow left-arm and the last man Silverwood more easily than he might have wished.

Angry? Sometimes it no longer seems worth the effort. It is to be hoped that the Test Thorpe, coming in at No. 4 even though Hussain and England's batting had Crawley are in better form, looked comfortable enough to had his off bail flicked aside series bears little relation to this.

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7 It's obvious I've turned up to

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skier became a world champion this weekend 30 years after the event

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ARIELLE Goitschel has received a world skiting championship gold medal 30 years after the event when it became clear that the woman who heat her was a man." Goitschel ex-plained. "That is because his male genitals were inside beat her was a man. The 51-year-old French woman, beaten at Portillo in 1966 by Erika Schinegin one than anyone else. "I think the Austrian team doctor had a fair in-kling of Brika's problem but ger, was presented with the gold medal by Marc Hodler, president of the Interna-tional Ski Federation, at a ceremony in Val d'Isère on Saturday. "Erik would have come along to the presentation, only he is busy in Sestriere," said Goitschel, who counts the Austrian among her finie "He gave his gold to me in 1988 but it has taken this long for the anthorities to agree to stage an official cere

they just wanted to win. When the Grenoble Olympics happened in 1968 and there were sex tests for the first time, Erika was sud-denly not selected. "As high as you are some-times, you can also fall a lot. That is the history of the human race. I have moving thoughts of him now and I am very proud to be his friend."

At the world champion-ships in Chile in August 1966 Schinegger beat Schinegger's condition was discovered when she

underwent a sex test before a daughter.

"I used to always say to Philip: "Stay off the heavy drugs' and he'd give me a look and say: 'Oh, Ma, you don't think I'm stupid, do you?' But they lie to you. They surround themselves with other people on drugs and say: "Don't let my Ma know"," The perils of being a rock mum

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tors detected only male chromosomes in his saliva. Goltschel, the most su cessful woman skier of all time, runs a holiday village and ski school with her two sons in Val Thorens. Though her career lasted only six years, she won World Cup, world championship and plained. "That is because his male genitals were inside his body. After this was dis-covered, he had to have a Olympic golds in downhill, the combined and all the slaall very complex operation. In all this he suffered much

lom events - nine golds in "Receiving the medal from Marc Hodler was much more moving than I had ex-pected because I was surrounded by real friends. It would have been even better

the Grenoble Games. Doo

if Erik had been able to "When you are a cham-pion you have many false friends, and it is even worse

today because the sponsors have to be there with all their hangers on. At the pre-sentation I felt myself sur-rounded by real friends." Like Goitschel, the Aus-Across

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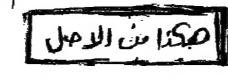
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